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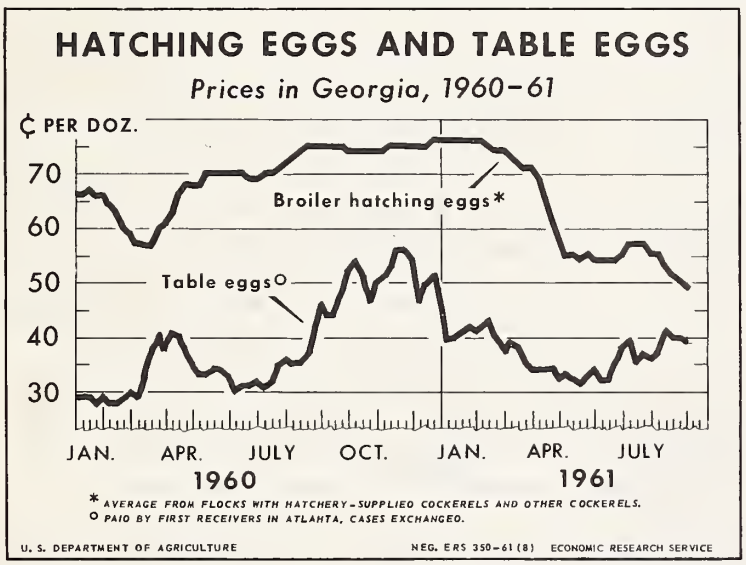

Until mid-August, when the continued low prices for broilers finally affected demand for chicks and hatching eggs, a 25 to 35 cent per dozen spread was common between table egg quotations and hatching egg prices in Georgia.

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THE POULTRY AND EGG SITUATION AT A GLANCE

Item	Unit	Month or date	Average 1950-59	1960	1961	Month or date	Average 1950-59	1960	1961	Comments on current situation
EGGS										
Farm production	Mil.cases	July	12.8	13.9	13.9	Aug.	12.1	13.3	13.5	For remainder of 1961, likely to exceed last year
Average number of layers on farms	Mil.	July	280.3	276.2	276.1	Aug.	283.8	276.4	278.8	
Rate of lay per layer	Eggs	July	16.4	18.2	18.2	Aug.	15.3	17.4	17.4	
Apparent disappearance, shell eggs per civilian	Eggs	June	26.8	23.1	22.4	July	27.6	24.8	23.9	
Frozen egg production	Mil. lb.	June	48.9	63.8	53.7	July	24.0	31.2	26.2	
Dried egg production	Mil. lb.	June	4.4	4.2	8.1	July	3.3	4.9	5.8	Last USDA contract let on July 12
Price received by farmers	Ct.per doz.	July	38.0	32.0	34.1	Aug.	40.9	34.7	35.0	
Price received by farmers as a percentage of parity	Pct.	July	80	74	78	Aug.	80	74	74	
Retail price (AMS)	Ct.per doz.	June	53.6	49.4	49.5	July	58.4	49.4	53.9	
Egg-feed price ratio	Lb. feed	July	10.1	9.6	10.0	Aug.	10.9	10.4	10.3	
Stocks:										
Shell	Thous.cases	Aug. 1	1,740	1,029	314	Sept.1	1,332	746	280	Smallest on record
Frozen	Mil. lb.	Aug. 1	170.3	166.4	112.6	Sept.1	156.6	158.1	108.2	
Replacement chicks hatched	Mil.	July	---	18.8	21.7	Aug.	---	16.4	20.6	September will also be above 1960
Farm price of poultry ration	Dol.per cwt	July	3.72	3.35	3.40	Aug.	3.73	3.34	3.41	
POULTRY										
Price received by farmers for chickens, live										
Broilers	Ct. per lb.	July	24.7	17.7	12.6	Aug.	24.5	16.6	13.0	At distress levels
Farm chickens	Ct. per lb.	July	18.5	12.2	10.0	Aug.	18.3	12.1	9.5	
All chickens	Ct. per lb.	July	22.9	17.1	12.3	Aug.	22.3	16.1	12.6	
Price received by farmers for all chickens as a percentage of parity	Pct.	July	76	67	49	Aug.	75	62	50	
Retail price of broilers and fryers ready-to-cook (AMS)	Ct. per lb.	June	52.7	42.7	36.6	July	53.8	43.8	36.8	
Price received by farmers for turkeys, live	Ct. per lb.	July	28.5	23.2	19.5	Aug.	28.9	23.7	19.8	Lowest monthly prices since 1942
Stocks:										
Poultry, excluding turkeys	Mil. lb.	Aug. 1	84.7	81.8	115.6	Sept.1	95.7	88.6	128.5	
Turkeys	Mil. lb.	Aug. 1	53.2	70.9	128.3	Sept.1	59.7	112.5	185.3	High
Broiler-feed price ratio	Lb. feed	July	4.8	3.8	2.7	Aug.	4.7	3.6	2.8	
Turkey-feed price ratio	Lb. feed	July	7.6	6.9	5.7	Aug.	7.7	7.1	5.8	
Average weekly placement of chicks in 22 important States	Mil.	July	---	35.7	39.0	Aug.	---	31.4	35.3	Recent weekly egg settings below last year

THE POULTRY AND EGG SITUATION

Approved by the Outlook and Situation Board, September 19, 1961

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SUMMARY

Despite seasonally declining supplies and low storage stocks, wholesale egg prices turned downward in late August, and remained in early September somewhat below the summertime peak. Because the low point of production has not yet been reached, some price recovery from the early September level is likely. Also, in view of the slight reduction from last year in the number of new pullets that remain to be added to the National laying flock, prices later in the year may hold relatively steady rather than drop sharply from the season highs. Even though egg prices may hold steady after recovering to August highs, they would likely be below 1960 in the remainder of this year.

In mid-August, the egg price received by farmers averaged 35.0 cents per dozen, up almost a cent from July, and about 1/3 of a cent above August 1960. In 1960, the peak of mid-month egg prices occurred late in the fall, in November, when the U. S. average was 46.1 cents. That price was the highest in 3 years.

The current laying flock -- on September 1, numbering 282 million birds -- is 1 percent larger than year-ago. Through April, this year's hatch of replacement chicks exceeded 1960, and most of the January-through-April chicks are already laying. During the rest of 1961, the maturing pullets will come mostly from May and June hatches, which were below 1960. On September 1, the 108 million pullets not yet of laying age were 1 percent fewer than last year. This suggests that the laying flock from the present time through at least mid-spring 1962 will continue larger than in the year before, though only by a small margin.

At least during the fall and early winter, rate of lay per bird is likely also to exceed last year, with the result that monthly egg production in the remainder of 1961 will be somewhat larger than in the same months of 1960.

Broiler prices have continued at the very low levels that began in late May. Since then the mid-month U. S. average prices have ranged between 12.6 and 13.0 cents, about 3 to 5 cents lower than the year before and the lowest monthly prices ever reported. They have been below the production costs of most growers. Nevertheless, weekly chick placements covering 22 States have exceeded those of 1960 in every week of 1961 up to date, and no indication of a cut-back on a U. S. basis was apparent until the week ending September 2, when the number of eggs set in incubators was 2 percent below 1960. This will affect the volume of marketings about late November; but until then, slaughter is likely to average (8 to 10) percent above last year.

The Department of Agriculture on July 19 announced a program to buy young chickens for the National School Lunch Program and on July 31 announced a turkey purchase program also. The turkey purchases are being made from a crop of about 107 million birds, 26 percent more than last year. Part of this increase has already been marketed and even consumed, but stocks in storage and prices at all levels of trade will continue to reflect large supplies. The U. S. average farm price in mid-August was 19.8 cents per pound, down almost 4 cents from August 1960.

Turkeys and turkey hatching eggs have been specified in the Agricultural Act of 1961 as commodities for which Marketing Orders may be instituted, provided that such orders meet with the approval of 2/3 of the producers and other requirements are satisfied. This is the first legislation enabling the inclusion of any poultry item under the Marketing Order procedure.

REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

Egg Prices Up Through mid-August; Uneven Thereafter

Egg prices through mid-August continued generally above last year. But at the end of the month they turned down, with the result that most late August quotations -- particularly for small and medium eggs -- were below 1960 (table 1). Last year U. S. average prices continued to rise seasonally from mid-summer through mid-November, when the year's peak of 46.1 cents occurred; this year, if the seasonal advance resumes, it is not likely to duplicate the 11 cent rise that occurred from mid-August to mid-November 1960. In mid-August 1961, the U. S. average price received by farmers for eggs was 35 cents per dozen, compared with 34.7 cents the preceding August (table 2).

A factor in the egg price strength this summer has been the reduction from last year in the volume of egg production. With the exception of March, egg production in every month through July was below 1960, and the cumulative output for the first 7 months was 102 million cases, compared with 104 million in January-July 1960. In August, however, output exceeded 1960, by 1 percent. Production in the remaining months of the year is likely also to exceed 1960 (table 3).

The relatively small quantity of frozen egg in storage, and the favorable turn-around during the spring in the level of replacement chick hatchings, also help to sustain shell egg prices. Because the late hatch turned down in May and June -- in contrast to increases averaging 19 percent in January-April -- the fresh egg supply in late 1961 will obviously not exceed 1960 by so wide a margin as was earlier expected. Therefore, egg breakers do not have as much incentive to defer until late in the year their efforts to compensate for the present small holdings. As a matter of fact, in late August there were frequent reports of extensive breaking operations using small eggs, which then bore a much sharper discount from large eggs than was the case a year earlier.

It is likely that the late August price break marked an interruption to a trend rather than a seasonal change in direction of prices. The decline in egg prices which occurred in late August, was earlier than usual this year. Because of this, it is likely that there may be some recovery of egg prices before the spring slump. In late summer, it is usual for the price of eggs to bounce around a bit; and prices of large eggs very likely will recover to near the peaks of the fourth week of August, while smaller sizes of eggs may exceed their August price levels.

Egg Production Down Seasonally,
But to Exceed 1960

Egg production during July and August declined seasonally. In past years the decline has continued into September also. But so far in 1961 the decline has been less than last year, with the result that egg production now exceeds 1960. July 1961 production was almost the same as July 1960; August production was 101 percent; and on September 1 the production was 102 percent of 1960. The current gains above last year in the volume of egg production are the results of increases in both numbers of layers on hand and increases in rate of lay (table 3).

The slight increase from last year in the size of the National laying flock -- on September 1 almost 1 percent above last year -- is likely to continue through the winter and into the spring of 1962. It is a result of the 4 percent increase in the number of chickens raised for laying flock replacement. Because the increase in chickens raised occurred only in the early hatching months -- April and earlier -- the extra 1961 pullets are already laying or almost laying, and subsequent additions to the laying flock may actually fall short of the corresponding 1960 additions. On September 1, 1961, about 108 million pullets not yet of laying age were on farms, very nearly the same as the 109 million a year earlier (table 7). This suggests that the birds added to laying flocks in the remainder of the year will be almost the same as in

1960; the number of aged layers to be removed, however, may slightly exceed 1960, continuing the trend indicated by the 13 percent increase in the number of hens slaughtered under Federal Inspection since January 1. The result of these movements will be to hold down the increase from the year before in the size of the laying flock on January 1, 1962 -- perhaps only about 1 percent up from the 306 million layers that were on hand at the beginning of 1961.

This enlarged laying flock is likely to lay at a heavier rate than the flock of a year earlier, despite a rate of lay which so far in 1961 is hardly different from 1960. (Sum of monthly eggs per 100 layers, January-August: 1960, 14,473 eggs; 1961,14,495 eggs). On September 1 the 1961 rate, 54.9 eggs per 100 birds, was only 0.2 eggs higher than last year, but the next 4 or 5 months represent the season when past increases, compared with the preceding year, had been largest and most consistent (table 3). These expectations of a larger flock laying at a higher rate naturally lead to the expectation of a larger egg production in each of the remaining months of 1961 than in 1960. Considered on a percentage basis, however, most of the production increase might be taken up by the 1.7 percent increase since last year in the population of the United States. An additional offset to the larger egg production is the smaller storage stocks which are now available.

Storage Stocks of Eggs Far Below 1960, but Ample

The prospect of ample egg supplies during the later months of 1961 was the principal factor which limited the storage of both shell and frozen egg this past spring. On July 1, the peak date for monthly holdings of shell eggs, the total U. S. stocks were 365 thousand cases, contrasted with 1.1 million cases last July 1. Storage of frozen egg was also down, by a smaller percentage but by a larger absolute amount; 1961 stocks on the August 1 peak were 114 million pounds, compared with 166 million pounds a year earlier (tables 9, 10). The difference is equivalent to $1\frac{1}{4}$ million cases of eggs (30 dozen per case).

The course of egg prices so far this season suggests that this decline from last year in the quantity of eggs stored has been a stabilizing rather than an unsteadying influence. On one hand, during the late spring weak storage demand kept egg prices below 1960, but higher egg prices would have induced producers to risk a greater expansion of chick hatchings, with possibilities of a decline in subsequent egg prices. But on the other hand, the relatively small stocks of shell eggs now and recently available mean that supplies from that source are no important threat to the shell egg price structure, and the need to supplement the stocks of frozen egg is a source of strength to current prices for shell eggs. Many small eggs, which otherwise would depress shell egg markets, are being diverted to breakers. In the week ending September 2, deliveries of shell eggs of all sizes to breakers were 4 percent above the like 1960 week. Particularly for frozen whole egg and for blend (frozen whole fortified with additional yolk), prices of frozen egg products exceed both year-ago prices and the springtime prices. (Springtime prices are representative of the costs at the time most present storage holdings were prepared; however, there have been storage costs in the interim.)

Relation Between Storage, Fresh Egg Prices, and Futures Prices

The quantity of shell eggs put into storage during the spring is related to the spread then existing between future contracts and the current shell egg prices; the wider this spread, the more favorable the hedge which stimulates storage demand. In the fall, at the time the eggs are taken from storage, the relation between the movement and fresh egg prices is less precise -- partly because economics dictate that the stored eggs be taken from storage for whatever price they will bring, rather than be retained to incur further storage costs, grade losses, and to face a possibly declining market later on. But this fall, there may be a slight change from this relationship for fresh eggs and for stored eggs and/or future contracts for storage eggs.

The possibility for change lies in a difference introduced this year in the terms under which egg future contracts are traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. Until this year, trading in contracts, and deliveries against them, could proceed simultaneously during the month in which the contract matured -- that is, a "long"* in September eggs might find early in that month that delivery of a carlot of eggs was being tendered to him; but to relieve himself of this ownership (except in the last few days of the month), he could simply turn around and sell an offsetting contract enabling him to deliver the eggs to a third party. By this means, eggs could be retendered to satisfy many contracts, even though most of the contracts were satisfied through offsetting "paper" sales and purchases.

This year, however, because of the rule change, the possibilities for offsets and for deliveries do not exist simultaneously. Offsets -- where a "long" makes a short sale and thus cancels his position -- may continue only until the 15th of the month in which the future contract matures. Then trading ceases, and deliveries commence, with the requirement that all remaining outstanding contracts be settled by deliveries. This arrangement can contribute to a more volatile price situation than occurred in the past, particularly since the 3 cents per dozen premium for the delivery of fresh eggs instead of stored makes the tendering of fresh eggs on contracts a more realistic procedure than about 5 years ago when no such premium was allowed.

On September 15, at the close of trading, the number of September shell egg contracts outstanding was 86; although a substantial reduction from the 5,200 outstanding one month earlier, it is a significant volume to settle by the delivery method. (Future contract prices are shown in table 11.)

More Chickens Raised

The slight increase already noted in the number of layers on hand, and the nearly steady number of chickens not yet laying, reflect the characteristics of the 1961 springtime replacement hatch. Early in the season the hatch ran

*A "long" is a trader who has bought a contract which provides that commodity may eventually be delivered to him; a "short" has entered into a contract that he may eventually make such delivery.

considerably ahead of 1960, while later in the spring it was below 1960. During the summer, the trend again reversed, with July and August hatchings (seasonally small) exceeding 1960 (table 12). These shifts averaged out to support an increase of 4 percent over 1960 in the number of chickens raised for laying flock replacement -- 346 million this year, contrasted with 332 last (table 14).

The numbers raised in 1960 and 1961 are the lowest on record, which reaches back to 1909. The increasing proportion of sexed pullets among the chickens raised -- 69 percent in 1960 -- explains how a declining number of chickens raised (considered in a 20 to 30 year time context) can support a laying flock which, in the same time period, has been of nearly stable numbers. Also contributing to the recent stability of layer numbers has been the practice of farmers in extending the period during which a layer is kept, depending upon the availability of replacements (table 15).

This year's 4 percent increase in chickens raised occurred in all regions except the North Atlantic, where there was a 2 percent decline. Among the other regions, the increase was greatest -- 12 percent -- in the South Central region (table 13). There, the increases of 21 percent in Alabama and 20 percent in Mississippi were the greatest among the 48 contiguous States.

Broiler Hatchings Slow to Adjust to Price Debacle

Since late May, broiler prices have been at or below the cost of production of most producers. Successive mid-month U. S. average prices this summer have been 12.8 cents per pound, 12.6 cents, and 13.0 cents. These are the lowest figures in the 20 year history of the price series. Last summer, mid-month prices ranged between 17.6 and 16.6 cents (table 16).

Despite the low prices, hatchings through early September continued to exceed last year, and thus were mostly at record levels for the season. By quarters, broiler chick hatchings so far this year exceed 1960 by 11, 13, and (partly estimated) 7 percent. On the basis of weekly reports from 22 States September hatchings are likely to be about 2 percent up from 1960. Altogether, and with consideration of late 1960 hatchings which contributed to slaughter early in 1961, these figures suggest an increase over a year earlier of about 10 percent in 1961 broiler production. Through September 1, however, cumulative Federally-inspected slaughter of young chickens was 20 percent above the like 1960 figure (table 19).

The first sign of an eventual downturn from last year in broiler production occurred in the 22-State egg settings for the week ended September 2. These were down 2 percent from the year before, and will not influence the volume of marketings until about late November.

The explanation for the continued large volume of production despite unfavorable prices must be sought in the peculiar structure of the broiler industry. The industry is largely integrated in its hatching, feed supply, and

slaughtering stages, so decisions regarding production schedules and volumes of production do not change readily. Also, most of the integrated units that had been in production during 1960 -- generally a profitable year -- came into 1961 with financial reserves that permitted them to undertake several broods that risked losses, in preference to bearing the costs of re-opening after shutting down. Contractors using this line of reasoning probably feel that, if they were to reduce or suspend operations, and then attempt to resume on their normal scale, they would find that their accustomed growers and customers had made other tie-ups.

While this philosophy would explain sustained production even in view of an unfavorable current situation, it is an insufficient explanation for increased production. The explanation for this may lie in the strategy of individual firms, who may feel they have sufficient staying power to ride out the present low prices, and who hope to have large volumes to sell after the rest of the industry has reduced its production. The States in which July and January-July broiler hatchings increased most are indicated below:

State	1961 Broiler Hatchings as percent of 1960	
	July	January-July
Maine	100	101
Minnesota	208	172
Missouri	104	120
Delaware	99	108
Maryland	86	101
Virginia	85	95
North Carolina	117	121
Georgia	110	112
Alabama	111	113
Mississippi	114	117
Arkansas	131	129
Texas	116	118
California	114	120

With the exception of Minnesota (which in 1960 produced 7 million broilers), the above are among the most important broiler-producing States. Minnesota is included to show the effect of a production promotion recently carried on in that State. (See also table 20.)

Turkey Crop,
107 Million Birds

The 107 million turkeys being raised this year are 26 percent more than last year's record. Increases occurred in all regions of the United States. None of the leading production States cut back (tables 22-24).

Prices reflect the large supply. In mid-August, the U. S. average price to farmers was 19.8 cents per pound, about the same as the 19.5 cents of July, but about 4 cents lower than last year. Prices of frozen turkeys in wholesale markets show proportionate declines from last year (table 25).

To September 1, 1960, the volume of turkeys slaughtered under Federal inspection (weight basis) was about 32 percent of the annual total (table 19). The considerable similarity of the distribution of hatchings in 1960 and 1961 makes it reasonable to assume a similar seasonal distribution of the slaughter of this year's crop. The Federally-inspected slaughter of the 1961 crop that was accomplished by September 1, 1961 was 45 percent greater than the corresponding slaughter in January-August 1960. Thus, to bring total annual slaughter out at a rate consistent with the 26 percent increase seen for the entire crop, the quantity of weekly slaughter will soon more closely match year-ago figures, percentagewise. For the year's inspected slaughter to show a 26 percent increase, and recognizing a 45 percent increase to date on a portion that is assumed to be 32 percent of the annual crop, slaughter for the remainder of the year will have to be only 17 percent above corresponding 1960 levels.

Even if so startling an adjustment were to occur, the weekly volume of turkeys killed would be above both the year before and the preceding weeks. 1/ Since current slaughter is already supplying a surplus which is going to storage, which already exceeds the record stocks accumulated from the 1960 crop, the prospective improvement in the percentage relationship does not indicate any comparable price rises.

Storage holdings of frozen turkeys on September 1, 1961, were 185 million pounds, 73 million more than a year earlier, and almost as much as were in store on October 1, 1960, a date one month later in the season (table 26). Storage from the current crop is likely to continue heavy. Part of the storage -- probably a larger proportion than in past years -- is being done for the account of growers or the account of the parties who helped to finance growers.

Purchase Programs for Broilers, Turkeys

On July 19, USDA announced a young chicken purchase program -- the primary purpose of which is to provide supplemental foods to schools participating in the National School Lunch Program. This is the second broiler purchase program of the year. From August 3 through September 13, about 12.8 million pounds of frozen cut-up broilers were purchased at prices ranging between 26.7 and 32.4 cents per pound, about 5 cents below prices paid under somewhat different specifications during last winter's program. With approximately 14 million students participating, 12.8 million pounds would supply about two meals during the school year to each student.

The 6¼ million pounds of broilers bought by the USDA in August represented about 2 percent of the total number of broilers slaughtered during that month. Prices received by farmers during August didn't vary much from the

1/ In the latest available week, ending September 6, slaughter was 29 percent above 1960, and May-July hatchings, yet to be slaughtered, were 14 to 24 percent over 1960.

13.0 cents per pound live weight which was reported as the mid-month average. An important change in the current program from the one conducted earlier this year, is that the acceptable weight range for the broilers has been extended to $2\frac{1}{4}$-$2\frac{3}{4}$ pounds from $2\frac{1}{2}$-$2\frac{3}{4}$ pounds. Additional purchases of the young chickens will depend upon several factors such as available funds and prices at which the broilers are offered.

Last winter's broiler program, an experimental operation, was the first of its kind and was well accepted by the Schools. It ran from March 1 through March 29 with a total of 7.1 million pounds purchased at prices ranging from about 32 to almost 38 cents per pound.

USDA announced on July 31 a turkey purchase program, which was set up to help remove excess supplies of turkeys from the market. Frozen ready-to-cook turkeys will be distributed to schools. The purchase program is being financed out of funds provided under Section 32, Public Law 320. Total purchases through September 15 amounted to 27.7 million pounds at prices ranging from under 27 to about 32 cents per pound (table 27).

The USDA, operating turkey purchase programs in recent years, bought 21.6 million pounds in 1959 and 18.9 million pounds in 1960. Under the largest program, which started in late 1952 and extended into 1953, approximately 48.4 million pounds were purchased. To further the aims of the program, offers were being invited, as of September 15, for submission at weekly intervals until further notice.

In fiscal 1961, poultry purchases by the USDA for school lunch amounted to a total of nearly 9.3 million dollars; 6.8 million dollars were spent for turkeys during the fall of 1960 and 2.5 million dollars were spent for broilers this past winter. One objective of the initial poultry purchase programs was to stimulate greater use of poultry meat, by participating schools, through local purchases. Most of the food used in the lunch program is purchased locally at the rate of about 4 dollars for every dollar's worth of food donated by the Federal Government.

Agricultural Act Allows Marketing Orders for Turkeys, Hatching Eggs

Under the terms of the Agricultural Act of 1961, turkeys and turkey hatching eggs are among the commodities which may be brought under the Marketing Agreements and Orders program of the Department of Agriculture. In this respect the Act is merely an enabling measure, which would authorize programs if they comply with certain other conditions, including the approval of 2/3 of the producers.

The authorizations provided by the present Act are different from those which were sought in a separate "Turkey Enabling Act" which was introduced as a bill in the preceding Congress.

Members of the turkey industry have already conferred with representatives of USDA to explore potentialities which exist under the new authorization and they are considering whether or not to ask the Secretary of Agriculture to appoint an industry committee to develop a proposed marketing order.

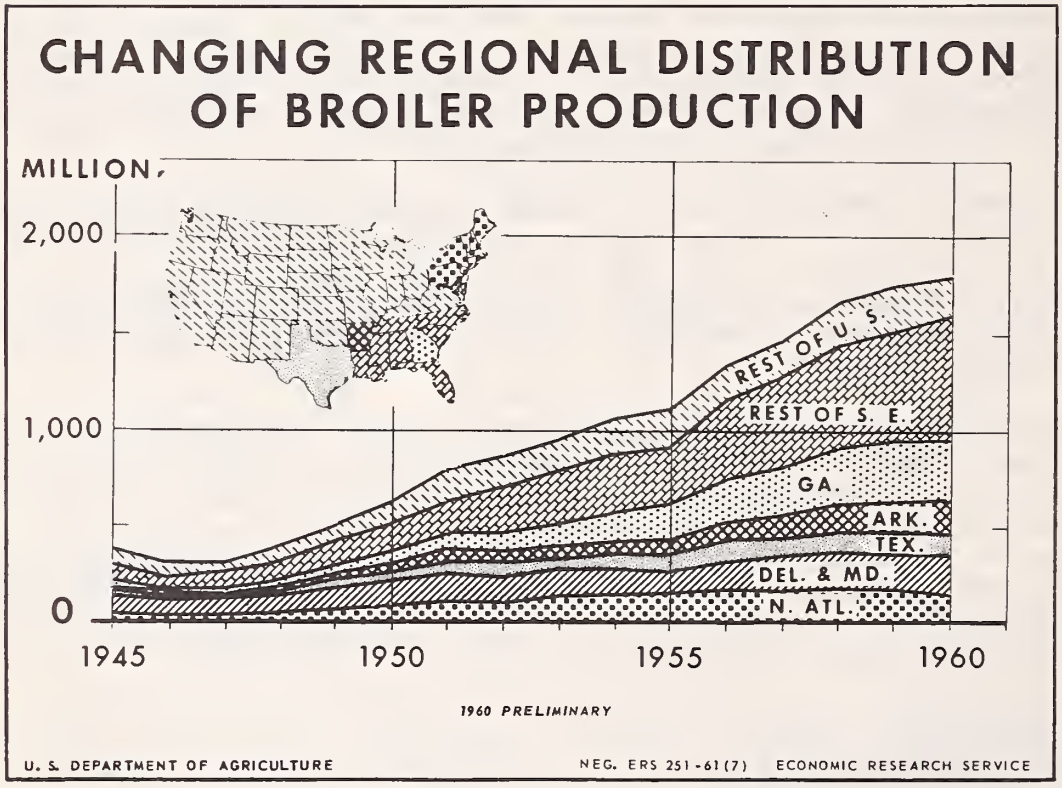

Table 1.--Egg prices, selected dates, 1960-61, with comparisons

Item	1960				1961			
	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 14	June 15	July 14	Aug. 15	Sept. 15
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
U. S. average price received by farmers, per dozen	32.0	34.7	39.0	43.8	30.9	34.1		
Iowa, prices received by farmers, per dozen 1/:								
Grade A, Large	24-25	27-28	34-36	40	24-26	28-29	31-33	30-31
Grade A, Medium	20-21	21-23	25-30	35-36	20-22	23-24	20-22	20-22
New York, wholesale prices								
Extras, per dozen mixed colors 2/								
Large, 65 percent A	33½-35	37½-39	44-47½	45-47	32½-33½	35½-37	42½-44	40½-41½
Medium, 55-60 percent A	30-31½	33-34½	39-40½	41½-43½	28-29	34-35½	30-31	29-30
Minimum 10 pct. AA, per doz.white:								
Large 3/	37-40	44-48	53-57	47-51	33½-37	39-43	47-51	48-52
Medium 3/	33-35	36½-38½	43½-45½	46-48	28-29	35½-37½	32½-34½	29-31
Small (pullets) 3/	25-27	27½-29½	29½-31½	36½-38½	21½-22½	25-26	23-24	20-21
Frozen egg, per pound 4/								
Mixed whole egg, spring pack	26¼-27½	24½-26	26½-28	29½-31	32-34	31-34	31-34	31-34
Yolk 5/	63-66	63-66	63-65	63-65	65-66	63-66	64-66	63-66
Albumen	7-8	7-7½	6¾-7½	8½-9½	8½-10½	8¼-10½	9½-11	9¾-10
Chicago								
Wholesale price, f.o.b. per dozen:								
Mixed colors, extras, Large	32-32½	33-34½	41½-43	42½-43	31-31½	33½-34	37½-38	38-38½
Medium	31	28½-29	38-39	40½-41	29-29½	32¾-33	28½-29	29-29½
Future contracts:								
September delivery (closing price)	34.55	31.05	33.80	36.10*	36.70	35.75	37.65	35.55
San Francisco, price to retailers, per dozen, cartoned								
Grade AA, Large	41-45	48-52	52-56	53-57	38-44	46-52	48-54	45-51
Grade AA, Medium	33-38	40-45	48-53	48-53	31-39	36-43	39-46	36-43

1/ "Mostly," except where otherwise stated. 2/ Midwestern. 3/ Nearby. 4/ Carlots, weekly price.
5/ Highest color quoted.

Table 2.--Shell eggs: Monthly per capita consumption and prices, United States, 1955 to date

Item and year	Unit	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total or average 1/	Processed 2/	Total
Consumption																
1955	Eggs	31.2	27.9	30.9	29.0	28.4	26.8	27.3	27.4	27.2	29.3	29.8	31.2	346	25	371
1956	do.	30.8	28.8	31.1	28.6	27.6	25.9	27.7	27.1	27.2	29.0	29.3	31.4	345	24	369
1957	do.	30.5	27.2	30.2	28.3	27.6	25.7	26.7	26.9	26.4	27.7	27.8	30.0	335	27	362
1958	do.	29.4	25.5	29.6	27.6	26.8	25.0	26.4	26.6	26.1	27.8	28.2	29.2	328	26	354
1959	do.	29.0	25.5	29.0	26.4	26.2	24.4	25.6	25.6	25.1	26.7	26.6	28.4	319	34	353
1960	do.	27.5	24.7	27.6	26.5	24.9	23.1	24.8	24.4	23.9	25.2	25.4	26.6	305	29	334
1961	do.	25.9	23.0	26.0	25.0	24.4	22.4	23.9								
Price received by farmers, per dozen																
1955	Cents	32.6	40.2	40.1	36.1	34.1	34.3	35.9	41.0	45.5	44.1	44.0	47.7	39.5		
1956	do.	47.0	40.8	40.0	39.0	38.2	36.9	37.3	37.9	39.8	39.0	38.0	37.5	39.3		
1957	do.	33.9	33.4	31.2	31.2	29.6	29.8	33.0	37.1	41.1	44.1	46.2	44.9	35.9		
1958	do.	39.6	37.6	41.5	38.7	37.0	35.4	37.0	38.0	42.0	39.3	39.2	37.4	38.5		
1959	do.	37.1	36.2	34.3	28.5	25.4	25.4	30.6	31.3	33.2	32.0	31.8	31.4	31.4		
1960	do.	30.4	29.8	32.8	36.3	33.1	31.5	32.0	34.7	39.0	43.8	46.1	44.6	36.0		
1961	do.	38.6	39.4	36.7	33.4	32.0	30.9	34.1								
Retail price, per dozen, (AMS)																
1955	do.	50.1	57.8	59.0	53.3	51.6	51.5	55.0	61.4	64.4	64.1	62.4	66.2	58.1		
1956	do.	65.5	58.0	58.1	56.5	55.6	54.0	55.9	56.8	58.9	59.5	57.5	56.2	57.7		
1957	do.	52.0	52.5	49.5	48.9	47.2	46.0	51.9	56.0	61.0	65.3	64.3	64.0	54.9		
1958	do.	59.3	55.7	61.9	57.2	54.9	52.9	55.3	57.2	64.6	60.0	58.9	56.4	57.9		
1959	do.	56.4	54.7	53.0	46.6	43.7	42.4	50.4	51.0	54.8	53.3	52.1	51.1	50.8		
1960	do.	49.6	47.2	48.5	54.1	51.3	49.4	49.5	52.8	59.2	65.7	65.1	66.3	54.7		
1961	do.	62.1	59.4	56.6	52.0	50.2	49.5	53.9								

1/ Monthly totals do not necessarily add to yearly figures due to rounding.

2/ Liquid, frozen, and dried egg (egg solids) converted to shell egg equivalent.

Table 3.--Number of layers on farms, rate of egg production, and total egg output on farms, monthly data, January 1955 to date

Item and year	Unit	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
						(a) Monthly average data							
Average number of layers on hand 1/													
1955	Mil.	338	329	319	306	294	283	277	280	300	321	331	334
1956		332	325	316	305	295	286	282	289	307	323	332	336
1957		333	325	316	305	294	284	280	286	300	313	321	324
1958		321	314	307	299	290	284	282	288	301	315	324	329
1959		327	321	316	308	297	286	281	286	299	311	317	319
1960		316	309	302	295	288	282	276	276	284	294	301	306
1961		303	297	294	289	284	279	276	279				
Eggs laid per 100 layers 1/													
1955	Eggs	1,548	1,491	1,800	1,844	1,900	1,751	1,672	1,537	1,418	1,444	1,411	1,491
1956		1,561	1,585	1,832	1,839	1,891	1,746	1,695	1,589	1,457	1,497	1,466	1,566
1957		1,606	1,543	1,862	1,872	1,919	1,772	1,718	1,621	1,491	1,489	1,459	1,588
1958		1,664	1,537	1,806	1,861	1,933	1,796	1,757	1,660	1,530	1,564	1,548	1,632
1959		1,676	1,612	1,908	1,911	1,963	1,828	1,798	1,701	1,565	1,580	1,542	1,661
1960		1,719	1,667	1,851	1,872	1,969	1,843	1,816	1,736	1,601	1,600	1,560	1,648
1961		1,698	1,634	1,922	1,902	1,952	1,833	1,815	1,739				
Total monthly egg production 1/													
1955	Mil. cs.	14.5	13.6	15.9	15.7	15.5	13.8	12.8	12.0	11.8	12.9	13.0	13.8
1956		14.4	14.3	16.1	15.6	15.5	13.8	13.3	12.8	12.4	13.5	13.5	14.6
1957		14.9	13.9	16.3	15.9	15.7	14.0	13.3	12.9	12.4	13.0	13.0	14.3
1958		14.8	13.4	15.4	15.4	15.6	14.2	13.8	13.2	12.8	13.7	13.9	14.9
1959		15.2	14.4	16.7	16.3	16.2	14.5	14.1	13.5	13.0	13.6	13.6	14.7
1960		15.1	14.3	15.5	15.4	15.8	14.4	13.9	13.3	12.6	13.0	13.1	14.0
1961		14.3	13.5	15.7	15.3	15.4	14.2	13.9	13.5				
						(b) First-of-month data							
Number of layers on hand 1/													
1955	Mil.	344	332	325	312	300	287	279	275	286	313	328	335
1956		334	329	322	310	300	290	281	282	296	317	329	335
1957		337	328	321	310	300	289	279	280	292	309	317	324
1958		324	317	311	304	294	286	281	283	292	309	320	329
1959		330	324	319	312	303	291	281	282	291	306	315	319
1960		319	313	306	299	292	284	278	274	278	290	297	305
1961		306	299	295	292	286	281	277	275	282			
Eggs laid per 100 layers 1/													
1955	Eggs	48.7	51.1	55.4	60.7	62.2	60.3	56.6	51.2	47.9	46.6	46.6	47.6
1956		48.6	52.0	57.4	60.8	61.8	60.3	56.1	53.2	49.3	47.9	48.6	49.1
1957		51.8	51.9	58.3	61.9	63.0	60.8	57.3	53.5	51.0	48.4	47.8	49.6
1958		52.9	54.5	55.3	60.8	63.2	61.5	58.2	55.1	52.0	50.0	50.9	52.4
1959		52.9	55.2	59.9	63.2	64.0	62.6	59.3	56.6	53.1	51.3	50.7	52.2
1960		54.9	56.0	58.9	60.6	64.2	62.9	60.0	57.3	54.7	52.0	51.2	52.8
1961		53.6	55.9	60.8	63.2	63.6	62.3	59.8	57.3	54.9			
Daily rate of egg production 1/													
1955	Mil. eggs	168	170	180	190	187	173	158	141	137	146	153	160
1956		162	171	185	189	186	175	158	150	146	152	160	164
1957		175	170	187	192	189	176	160	150	149	150	152	161
1958		171	173	172	185	186	176	164	156	152	155	163	172
1959		175	179	191	198	194	182	167	159	155	157	160	166
1960		175	175	180	181	187	179	167	157	152	151	152	161
1961		164	167	180	185	182	175	166	158	155			

1/ Revised.

Table 4.--Factors in monthly supply of shell eggs, 1958 to date

Year and item	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases
1958													
Eggs produced on farms	14,814	13,403	15,361	15,439	15,572	14,167	13,781	13,250	12,783	13,667	13,947	14,931	171,115
Shell eggs to storage	-38	-66	-26	243	383	147	-140	-218	-204	-83	-67	-87	-156
Eggs broken commercially 1/	792	935	858	1,642	2,219	1,918	1,125	714	396	281	158	708	11,746
Eggs used for hatching	770	1,023	1,207	1,177	880	767	650	570	583	580	650	727	9,584
Balance	13,290	11,511	13,322	12,377	12,090	11,335	12,146	12,184	12,008	12,889	13,206	13,583	149,941
Government purchases:													
Dried 2/										146	264	16	426
1959													
Eggs produced on farms	15,217	14,389	16,733	16,325	16,189	14,539	14,056	13,533	12,992	13,647	13,586	14,725	175,931
Shell eggs to storage	4	-5	55	425	472	50	-166	-149	-185	-85	-172	-109	135
Eggs broken commercially 1/	824	1,228	1,829	2,340	2,554	2,198	1,204	944	787	568	540	727	15,743
Eggs used for hatching	817	1,163	1,247	1,047	790	727	630	523	523	553	600	710	9,330
Balance	13,572	12,003	13,602	12,513	12,373	11,564	12,388	12,215	11,867	12,611	12,618	13,397	150,723
Government purchases:													
Dried 2/	118	209	198	302	268	186	350	226	44	---	---	---	1,901
Frozen 2/	---	---	---	---	---	35	69	---	---	---	---	---	104
1960													
Eggs produced on farms	15,092	14,319	15,542	15,353	15,753	14,439	13,933	13,328	12,625	13,044	13,064	14,000	170,492
Shell eggs to storage	116	41	-164	118	454	357	-81	-283	-260	-217	-173	-20	-112
Eggs broken commercially 1/	836	1,281	1,227	1,272	2,519	2,247	1,010	900	484	474	257	359	12,866
Eggs used for hatching	763	954	1,089	1,172	910	777	660	602	616	618	684	770	9,615
Balance	13,377	12,043	13,390	12,791	11,870	11,058	12,344	12,109	11,785	12,169	12,296	12,891	148,123
Government purchases:													
Dried 2/	272	264	215	124	27	---	400	301	237	31	9	---	1,880
1961													
Eggs produced on farms	14,269	13,489	15,686	15,272	15,375	14,203	13,922	13,464					
Shell eggs to storage	4	-31	0	29	160	127	-51	-34					
Eggs broken commercially 1/	787	764	1,001	1,711	2,054	1,947	1,293						
Eggs used for hatching	850	1,151	1,228	1,144	883	803	734	63[illegible]					
Balance	12,628	11,605	13,457	12,388	12,278	11,326	11,946						
Government purchases:													
Dried 2/	---	373	693	201	455	412	117	---	---				

1/ Excluding equivalent of Government purchases of dried or frozen.
2/ Shell equivalent.

Table 5.--Dried and frozen egg: U.S.D.A. purchases, 1958 to date

Period	Purchases				Top price per pound 1/	Cost of purchase	
	By weight		Case equivalent				
	For the period	Cumulative	Number	Cumulative		For the period	Cumulative
	Thou. lb.	Thou. lb.	Thou. cases	Thou. cases	Dol.	Thou. dol.	Thou. dol.
(a) Annual purchases of dried egg solids for school lunches and other eligible outlets							
1958	4,162		264		1.23	5,087	
1959 2/	19,403		1,914		1.24	21,883	
1960	19,048		1,905		1.14	20,700	
(b) Monthly purchases of frozen mixed whole egg for later drying 3/							
1959							
June	1,380	1,380	55	35	0.24	333	333
July	2,730	4,110	69	104	.24	668	1,001
(c) Monthly purchases of dried egg solids for school lunches and other eligible outlets 4/							
1960							
January	2,759	2,759	272	272	1.03	2,800	2,800
February	2,674	5,432	264	536	1.03	2,719	5,519
March	3,031	8,464	215	751	1.06	3,161	7,779
April	404	8,867	124	874	1.06	427	9,107
May	269	9,136	27	901	1.06	284	9,391
June 5/	no purchases						
July	4,059	13,195	400	1,302	1.14	4,625	14,016
August	3,050	16,245	301	1,603	1.14	3,483	17,499
September	2,399	18,644	237	1,864	1.14	2,741	20,240
October	314	18,958	31	1,896	1.14	358	20,598
November	90	19,048	9	1,905	1.14	102	20,700
December	no purchases						
(d) Weekly purchases of dried whole egg for distribution to needy							
1960:							
Feb. 1	422	422	42	42	1.37	575	575
8	1,192	1,615	119	161	1.37	1,631	2,206
15	969	2,584	97	258	1.37	1,324	3,530
23	1,143	3,726	114	373	1.37	3,760	5,084
March 1	870	4,596	87	460	1.30	1,126	6,210
8	1,540	6,136	154	614	1.20	1,831	8,041
15	1,267	7,403	127	740	1.20	1,496	9,537
23	1,565	8,968	157	897	1.18	1,820	11,357
29	1,689	10,658	169	1,066	1.17	1,938	13,294
April 5	770	11,428	77	1,143	1.17	895	14,189
12	149	11,577	15	1,158	1.17	174	14,363
19	497	12,074	50	1,207	1.17	580	14,943
26	596	12,670	60	1,267	1.17	696	15,639
May 3	1,267	13,937	127	1,394	1.17	1,478	17,117
10	720	14,657	72	1,466	1.17	841	17,957
17	1,366	16,024	137	1,602	1.17	1,594	19,551
25	1,192	17,216	119	1,722	1.17	1,392	20,943
June 1	944	18,160	94	1,816	1.17	1,102	22,045
7	596	18,756	60	1,876	1.17	696	22,741
14	969	19,725	97	1,973	1.17	1,131	23,872
21	845	20,570	84	2,057	1.17	986	24,858
29	770	21,340	77	2,134	1.17	899	25,757
July 7	820	22,160	82	2,216	1.17	957	26,714
12 6/	348	22,508	35	2,251	1.17	406	27,120

1/ Rounded to the nearest cent. 2/ Surplus removal program began with week ending April 23. 3/ Program began June 18 and ended as of July 16. 4/ Some purchases in #2½ cans and others in 10 pound cans. 5/ Program ended May 19, 1960 and began again July 1, 1961. 6/ Program ended as of July 12, 1961.

Table 6.--Shell eggs: Farm production, supply for consumption and average price received by farmers, monthly 1955 to date

Year	Months												Total and average 3/
	Jan.	February 1/	February 2/	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.	Mil. doz.
	(a) Farm production													
1955	436.2	408.2	449.0	478.0	470.9	465.2	412.9	385.4	358.7	353.9	385.8	389.7	415.4	5,001.1
1956	431.2	429.7	472.7	482.4	467.8	464.9	415.4	398.2	382.8	372.1	403.6	405.8	438.7	5,135.6
1957	445.6	417.6	459.4	489.8	475.6	470.7	419.7	400.2	385.9	373.2	388.7	389.9	428.7	5,127.4
1958	444.4	402.1	442.3	460.8	463.2	467.2	425.0	413.4	397.5	383.5	410.0	418.4	447.9	5,173.6
1959	456.5	431.7	474.9	502.0	489.7	485.7	436.2	421.7	406.0	389.7	409.4	407.6	441.7	5,321.1
1960	452.7	429.6	472.6	466.2	460.6	472.6	433.2	418.0	399.8	378.7	391.3	391.9	420.0	5,157.6
1961	428.1	404.7	445.2	470.6	458.2	461.2	426.1	417.7	403.9					
Average; 1956-60	446.1	422.1	464.4	480.2	471.4	472.2	425.9	410.3	394.4	379.4	400.6	402.7	435.4	5,183.1
	(b) Eggs used for commercial breaking													
1955	23.9	30.8	33.9	52.9	62.3	66.0	56.2	28.2	12.9	7.1	5.6	4.1	3.3	356.4
1956	6.9	27.6	30.4	48.8	61.1	74.0	57.2	28.6	19.7	10.5	10.5	7.4	9.9	365.0
1957	19.1	25.4	27.9	46.1	60.5	70.2	57.4	35.3	19.6	12.0	9.9	6.3	8.1	372.4
1958	23.8	28.0	30.8	25.7	49.3	66.6	57.5	33.8	21.4	11.9	12.8	12.7	21.7	368.0
1959	28.3	43.1	47.4	60.8	79.3	84.7	72.6	48.7	35.1	24.9	17.0	16.2	21.8	536.8
1960	33.2	46.4	51.0	43.3	41.9	76.4	67.4	42.3	36.0	21.6	15.2	8.0	10.8	447.1
1961	23.6	34.1	37.5	50.8	57.4	75.3	70.8	42.3						
Average; 1956-60	22.3	34.1	37.5	44.9	58.4	74.4	62.4	37.7	26.4	16.2	13.1	10.1	14.5	417.9
	(c) Changes in storage stocks of shell eggs 4/													
1955	1.3	0.7	0.8	6.6	21.1	27.2	6.1	-1.4	-16.9	-16.2	-10.1	-14.1	-6.7	-2.3
1956	6.1	.2	.2	.1	9.9	16.9	7.6	-5.8	-7.2	-8.8	-3.3	-2.7	-6.2	6.8
1957	.2	5.7	6.3	12.4	8.3	15.3	2.8	-9.2	-10.0	-8.4	-10.3	-7.5	-2.8	-2.9
1958	-1.1	-2.0	-2.2	-.8	7.3	11.5	4.4	-4.2	-6.5	-6.1	-2.5	-2.0	-2.6	-4.8
1959	.1	-.2	-.2	1.6	12.8	14.2	1.5	-5.0	-4.5	-5.6	-2.6	-5.2	-3.3	3.8
1960	3.5	1.2	1.3	-4.9	3.5	13.6	10.7	-2.4	-8.5	-7.8	-6.5	-5.2	-.6	-3.3
1961	.1	-.9	-1.0	0	.9	4.8	3.8	-1.5						
Average; 1956-60	1.8	1.0	1.1	1.7	8.4	14.3	5.4	-5.3	-7.3	-7.3	-5.0	-4.5	-3.1	-.1
	(d) Eggs used in hatching													
1955	19.2	29.9	32.9	34.4	28.1	18.2	15.8	13.1	11.9	12.9	13.1	14.2	17.9	231.7
1956	23.3	33.0	36.3	36.7	31.3	21.4	17.9	16.1	14.3	14.6	14.4	14.6	18.6	259.5
1957	20.9	29.0	31.9	33.2	29.2	21.4	19.0	16.6	15.4	15.5	15.0	16.6	20.3	255.0
1958	23.1	30.7	33.8	36.2	35.3	26.4	23.0	19.5	17.1	17.5	17.4	19.5	21.8	290.6
1959	24.5	34.9	38.4	37.4	31.4	23.7	21.8	18.9	15.7	15.7	16.6	18.0	21.3	283.4
1960	22.8	28.6	31.5	32.7	35.2	27.3	23.3	19.8	18.1	18.5	18.5	20.5	23.1	291.3
1961	25.5	34.5	38.0	36.8	34.3	26.5	24.1	22.0						
Average; 1956-60	22.9	31.2	34.4	35.2	32.5	24.0	10.5	18.2	16.1	16.4	16.4	17.8	21.0	276.0
	(e) Net effective supply 5/													
1955	391.8	346.8	381.4	384.1	359.4	353.8	334.8	345.5	350.8	350.1	377.2	385.5	400.9	4,415.3
1956	394.9	368.9	405.8	396.8	365.5	352.6	332.7	359.3	356.0	355.8	382.0	386.5	416.4	4,504.3
1957	405.4	357.5	393.3	398.1	377.6	363.8	340.5	357.5	360.9	354.1	374.1	374.5	403.1	4,502.9
1958	398.6	345.4	379.9	399.7	371.3	362.7	340.1	364.3	365.5	360.2	382.3	388.2	407.0	4,519.9
1959	403.6	353.9	389.3	402.2	366.2	363.1	340.3	359.1	359.7	354.7	378.4	378.6	401.9	4,497.1
1960	393.2	353.4	388.8	395.1	380.0	355.3	331.8	358.3	354.2	346.4	364.1	368.6	386.7	4,422.5
1961	378.9	337.0	370.7	383.0	365.6	354.6	327.4	354.9						
Average; 1956-60	399.1	355.8	391.4	398.4	372.1	359.5	337.1	359.7	359.3	354.2	376.2	379.3	403.0	4,489.3
	(f) Average price received by farmers for eggs, mid-month per dozen													
	Cents	Cents		Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1955	32.6	40.2		40.1	36.1	34.1	34.3	35.9	41.0	45.5	44.1	44.0	47.7	39.5
1956	47.0	40.8		40.0	39.0	38.2	36.9	37.3	37.9	39.8	39.0	38.0	37.5	39.3
1957	33.9	33.4		31.2	31.2	29.6	29.8	33.0	37.1	41.1	44.1	46.2	44.9	35.9
1958	39.6	37.6		41.5	38.7	37.0	35.4	37.0	38.0	42.0	39.3	39.2	37.4	38.5
1959	37.1	36.2		34.3	28.5	25.4	25.4	30.6	31.3	33.2	32.0	31.8	31.4	31.4
1960	30.4	29.8		32.8	36.3	33.1	31.5	32.0	34.7	39.0	43.8	46.1	44.6	36.0
1961	38.6	39.4		36.7	33.4	32.0	30.9	34.1	35.0					
Average; 1956-60	37.6	35.6		36.0	34.7	32.7	31.9	34.0	35.8	39.0	39.6	40.3	39.2	36.2

1/ As reported. 2/ Adjusted for length of month for better comparability with other months. 3/ Monthly totals and averages do not necessarily add due to rounding. 4/ Plus sign indicates net into-storage movement; Minus sign indicates net out-of storage movement. 5/ Farm production minus eggs used for breaking and hatching plus or minus storage movement.

Table 7.--Numbers of laying type chickens on farms, September 1, and following January 1, 1950 to date

Year	As reported			
	September 1			January 1 following
	Layers	Young chickens	Total 1/	Total laying and not yet laying 1/
	Million	Million	Million	Million
1950	298	213	512	399
1951	289	217	506	397
1952	283	184	467	373
1953	279	175	454	371
1954	291	168	459	369
1955	286	149	435	361
1956	296	154	450	370
1957	292	132	424	356
1958	292	146	438	367
1959	291	128	419	352
1960	278	109	388	340
1961	282	108	391	
	As percentage of preceding year			
	September 1			January 1 following
	Layers	Young chickens	Total 1/	Total laying and not yet laying 1/
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
1950	105	81	93	94
1951	97	102	99	99
1952	98	85	92	94
1953	99	95	97	99
1954	104	96	101	99
1955	98	89	95	98
1956	103	103	103	102
1957	99	86	94	96
1958	100	111	103	103
1959	100	88	96	96
1960	96	85	93	97
1961	101	99	101	

1/ i.e., "Potential layers."

Table 8.--Factors indicative of number of layers to be on hand January 1, 1962

(a) Fall pullet numbers and derivation

Year	Chickens raised	Sexed pullets as a percentage of farmers' chick purchases	Computed number of pullets among chickens raised 1/	Pullets on hand: October 1: Laying	October 1: Not yet laying	October 1: Total: As reported	October 1: Total: As percent of pullets among chickens raised	January 1, following: Laying	January 1, following: Not yet laying	January 1, following: Total: As reported	January 1, following: Total: As percent of pullets among chickens raised
	Mil.	Pct.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Pct.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Pct.
1946	738	22	435	126	199	325	75	244	37	281	65
1947	719	26	439	131	195	326	74	243	35	278	63
1948	615	30	387	125	176	301	78	227	31	258	67
1949	705	31	444	140	185	324	73	255	32	287	65
1950	620	32	397	141	142	283	71	229	29	258	65
1951	623	33	399	143	144	288	72	231	30	261	66
1952	561	37	370	142	117	259	70	215	23	238	64
1953	548	42	373	154	112	266	71	231	24	255	68
1954	540	49	383	168	104	273	71	233	25	257	67
1955	2/459	50	330	148	94	242	73	212	27	239	72
1956	2/471	53	344	167	92	259	75	218	32	250	73
1957	2/394	60	303	144	84	228	75	195	32	227	75
1958	2/421	65	333	157	97	254	76	209	37	246	74
1959	3/386	68	309	147	85	231	75	193	32	225	73
1960 2/	332	69	267	121	85	206	77	175	34	209	78
1961 3/	346	4/ 70	284								

(b) Fall hen numbers and derivations

	Layers and potential layers on hand, January 1: Hens	Pullets	Total	Hens on hand: October 1: As reported	October 1: As percent of hens and pullets Jan. 1 given year	January 1, following: As reported	January 1, following: As percent of pullets Jan. 1 given year
	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Pct.	Mil.	Pct.
1946	151	322	473	202	43	150	47
1947	150	281	431	198	46	140	50
1948	140	278	418	193	46	141	51
1949	141	258	399	184	46	137	53
1950	137	287	424	189	45	141	49
1951	141	258	399	179	45	136	53
1952	136	261	397	172	43	135	52
1953	135	238	373	156	42	116	49
1954	116	255	371	154	42	111	44
1955	111	257	369	166	45	122	47
1956	122	239	361	151	42	120	50
1957	120	250	370	165	45	129	52
1958	129	227	356	152	43	121	53
1959	121	246	367	160	44	127	52
1960	127	225	352	169	48	131	58
1961	131	209	340				

1/ Computed with allowance for pullets among straight-run chicks bought. 2/ Revised. 3/ Preliminary. 4/ Intentions.

Table 9.--Shell eggs: Storage stocks, first-of-month, United States, 1950 to date; 35 cities, October 1960 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases	Mil. cases
	(a) Monthly, United States											
1950	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.3	2.1	3.4	3.7	3.2	2.6	1.6	0.5	0.1
1951	1/	.1	.2	.3	1.0	2.1	2.4	2.3	1.6	1.0	.5	.2
1952	.1	.2	.9	1.6	2.2	3.2	3.4	2.7	2.2	1.7	1.0	.4
1953	.2	.1	.2	.4	.8	1.4	1.5	1.2	.8	.5	.3	.1
1954	.1	.1	.1	.4	.7	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.0	.8	.6	.3
1955	.2	.2	.3	.5	1.2	2.1	2.3	2.2	1.7	1.1	.8	.3
1956	.1	.3	.3	.3	.6	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.0	.7	.6	.5
1957	.3	.3	.5	.9	1.2	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.2	.9	.6	.3
1958	.2	.2	.1	.1	.3	.7	.9	.7	.5	.3	.2	.1
1959	.1	.1	.1	.1	.5	1.0	1.1	.9	.7	.6	.5	.3
1960	.2	.3	.3	.2	.3	.8	1.1	1.0	.7	.5	.3	.1
1961	.1	.1	1/	1/	.1	.2	.4	.3	.3			
	(b) Weekly, 35 cities											
	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases	1,000 cases
Weeks	1961									1960		
First	57	50	18	17	40	172	285	250	220	437	216	85
Second	53	42	22	21	57	197	274	241	218	374	181	68
Third	49	29	21	22	82	237	266	228		324	139	55
Fourth	62	19	23	28	109	278	262	220		282	107	53
Fifth	61				146		256			241		

1/ Less than .05

Table 10.--Frozen egg: Storage stocks, first-of-month, United States, 1950 to date; weekly, 35 cities, October 1960 to date

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
	(a) Monthly, United States											
1950	54	55	73	117	155	180	188	175	155	133	104	76
1951	47	31	33	62	109	163	190	191	176	151	122	95
1952	67	53	61	84	111	146	166	163	144	124	95	72
1953	50	35	42	65	99	132	160	153	133	110	87	61
1954	42	38	42	92	136	167	186	181	161	139	118	95
1955	75	66	63	84	126	171	194	195	180	155	128	101
1956	74	51	42	61	95	140	172	177	168	152	132	109
1957	87	75	66	78	108	140	167	177	165	147	124	99
1958	75	64	60	53	68	101	134	140	134	117	94	73
1959	57	47	46	55	85	119	149	152	149	135	119	96
1960	79	75	78	81	90	122	157	166	158	140	114	87
1961	64	54	49	54	67	92	113	113	108			
	(b) Weekly, 35 cities											
Weeks	1961									1960		
First	34	26	24	24	29	38	51	53	54	73	57	45
Second	32	26	24	25	30	40	52	53	53	70	55	42
Third	30	25	24	26	32	45	53	54		67	51	39
Fourth	29	25	24	27	34	48	53	54		64	49	37
Fifth	28				36		53			61		

Table 11.--Egg future contracts: Highest and lowest price per dozen, by months, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, 1958-60 contracts; and 1961 contracts to date

Month	Contracts by month in which contract is deliverable 1/				
	September	October	November	December	January
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1958					
January	41.65-39.05	41.75-39.15			36.40-29.55
February	41.70-39.80	41.90-40.10			
March	42.50-40.85	42.30-40.85	41.75-39.95		
April	43.10-40.40	43.05-40.40	42.20-39.90	41.40-39.40	
May	41.05-37.80	41.05-37.75	40.90-37.35	40.25-36.50	
June	39.95-37.40	39.85-37.20	38.25-36.85	37.40-36.00	36.10-34.50
July	40.15-34.50	40.20-34.75	38.35-34.20	37.65-34.00	36.25-33.50
August	37.65-30.80	36.95-31.20	35.50-31.10	35.00-30.80	34.95-30.25
September	41.75-36.60	39.75-35.75	36.90-33.25	34.55-31.85	33.50-30.75
October	37.80-35.40	41.95-35.50	36.55-33.35	33.55-32.00	32.50-31.05
November	36.80-35.70	37.00-35.90	40.90-34.35	36.75-32.65	34.75-31.45
December	36.25-35.20	36.15-35.45		37.60-31.95	33.80-30.75
1959					
January	36.50-35.50	36.70-35.80			38.00-33.15
February	36.70-35.55	36.85-35.75			
March	35.70-31.65	35.90-32.00	36.05-32.50		
April	32.70-31.00	33.10-31.60	33.70-32.10	34.15-32.35	
May	31.50-28.50	32.15-29.45	33.10-30.40	33.30-31.10	32.20-30.95
June	32.40-28.70	33.35-29.75	34.00-30.75	34.50-31.80	34.25-31.60
July	31.25-27.65	32.20-28.60	33.10-29.50	33.55-30.60	33.20-30.85
August	28.30-24.85	29.20-25.65	30.20-26.45	31.10-27.35	31.10-27.50
September	29.00-24.75	29.60-25.60	30.50-26.70	31.00-27.75	31.00-27.85
October	35.35-33.75	27.35-24.80	28.45-26.00	29.30-27.25	29.45-27.90
November	34.95-34.10	35.20-34.45	26.55-24.50	27.85-25.00	28.45-25.80
December	36.60-33.85	36.55-34.25		26.00-23.25	28.50-25.05
1960					
January	35.80-33.10	35.75-33.30			25.80-21.60
February	34.10-32.45	34.30-32.60	34.75-33.05		
March	36.00-33.15	36.65-33.50	36.50-34.05	36.45-34.45	
April	37.95-35.55	37.85-35.70	37.65-35.65	36.70-35.30	36.00-34.75
May	38.60-35.55	38.60-35.70	38.60-36.30	38.30-35.85	37.65-35.50
June	35.70-31.45	35.90-32.25	36.55-32.60	36.80-32.50	35.85-31.25
July	34.95-30.95	35.85-31.65	36.10-32.50	35.90-32.65	34.05-31.90
August	34.65-29.25	35.55-30.20	36.25-31.20	35.40-31.25	34.00-31.00
September	35.45-32.40	37.60-33.55	38.45-34.50	38.00-33.45	36.25-32.50
October	38.50-35.35	38.90-35.45	39.60-36.50	39.65-36.90	38.40-35.45
November	37.00-35.75	37.25-36.05	45.75-37.75	45.50-43.15	42.00-37.05
December	36.35-34.70	36.55-34.90		45.25-39.40	40.55-36.90
1961					
January	38.15-34.75	38.35-34.95	38.50-35.05		37.65-34.50
February	38.70-35.50	38.50-35.25	38.75-35.20	38.45-34.65	38.00-34.25
March	36.35-32.70	36.05-32.85	35.90-33.10	35.60-32.95	34.25-32.30
April	37.00-33.40	36.65-33.25	36.20-33.20	35.75-32.85	34.10-32.35
May	37.15-34.60	37.10-34.30	36.75-34.25	36.30-34.00	34.55-33.35
June	37.75-36.25	37.15-35.70	36.40-34.85	36.00-34.90	34.90-34.00
July	**38.30-35.20**	**37.85-34.75**	**37.10-34.55**	**36.45-34.10**	**35.25-32.75**
August 2/	38.20-35.80	37.95-35.60	37.40-35.30		
September 3/	35.35	35.60	35.75		

1/ Brackets, or gaps in series of numbers, denote change in year of contract.
2/ Closing price.
3/ Closing price as of September 15.

Table 12.--Monthly hatchings of replacement-type chicks, and chickens raised, 1956 to date

Month and item	Unit	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961 1/
Hatchings							
January	Millions	39.3	30.5	34.0	35.8	23.3	32.9
February	do.	84.0	56.3	61.6	61.4	38.2	48.4
March	do.	149.5	109.4	112.9	117.8	71.6	0.5
April	do.	159.4	129.4	135.4	129.8	97.5	103.4
May	do.	108.8	90.8	109.7	85.8	99.7	85.1
June	do.	34.7	27.9	40.4	27.2	43.6	33.4
July	do.	15.4	11.9	18.2	14.0	18.8	21.7
August	do.	14.3	10.2	14.8	13.4	16.4	20.6
September	do.	14.8	12.3	16.6	13.8	16.7	2/ 20.2
October	do.	17.1	13.0	16.9	14.3	16.9	
November	do.	14.7	12.2	16.2	13.5	16.7	
December	do.	15.9	15.7	19.6	14.3	20.2	
Total, calendar year	do.	667.9	519.5	596.3	541.0	479.7	
Total, 12 months ending July of given year	do.	667.4	533.0	575.6	555.8	462.1	502.2
Chickens raised, calendar year	do.	3/471.0	3/ 393.8	3/421.4	386.0	330.8	346.0
Pullets on hand, January 1 following							
(a) Number	do.	250.3	226.6	246.0	225.0	208.6	
(b) As a percentage of chickens raised	Percent	53	58	58	58	63	
Sexed pullets as a percentage of farmers' chick purchases	do.	53	60	65	68	69	4/ 70

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Size of hatch if monthly output shows same percentage change as number of eggs in incubator on first of month. 3/ Revised. 4/ February intentions.

Table 13.--Hatchings of replacement-type chicks, by divisions, January-August 1961 with comparisons

Division	Hens and pullets on farms, Jan. 1, 1961	Chickens raised		Hatchings, January-August				Eggs in incubators Sept. 1, 1961 as a percentage of a year earlier
		1961	1961 intentions as a percentage of 1960	1959	1960	1961	1961 as a percentage of 1960	
	Mil.	Mil.	Pct.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Pct.	Pct.
New England	14.3	17.3	95	21.9	20.7	19.8	95	144
Middle Atlantic	40.0	31.3	99	55.2	46.2	48.4	105	102
East North Central	55.6	49.2	105	96.8	82.7	89.9	109	99
West North Central	79.7	87.2	104	159.9	126.3	131.2	104	95
South Atlantic	48.1	52.5	105	41.3	35.1	37.5	107	123
East South Central	27.5	30.2	115	19.7	16.2	19.8	122	204
West South Central	27.3	30.6	109	28.1	24.3	27.4	113	112
Mountain	7.8	8.4	103	8.8	7.0	7.5	107	113
Pacific	39.9	39.4	102	53.4	50.7	54.5	107	125
United States	340.1	346.0	104	485.1	409.1	435.9	107	121

The bracketed regions in the preceding column indicate those which are combined to make a 5-region break.

Table 14.--Egg-feed price ratio, chickens raised and subsequent number of pullets on farms, 1925 to date

Year	Egg-feed price ratio weighted average 1/	Chickens raised 2/	Sexed pullets bought as a percent of total chickens purchased	Pullets on farms 3/				Percentage of preceding year			
				As reported		As a percentage of chickens raised		Egg-feed price ratio weighted average 1/	Farmers' intentions to purchase chicks	Chickens raised	Pullets on farms Jan. 1 following
				Oct. 1	Jan. 1 following	Oct. 1	Jan. 1 following				
	Lb.	Mil.	Pct.	Mil.	Mil.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
1925	12.9	679								103	
1926	13.5	718						105		106	
1927	13.4	750						99		104	
1928	12.2	700						91		93	
1929	13.1	751			253		34	107		107	
1930	13.8	777			244		31	105		103	96
1931	10.6	709		240	230	34	32	77		91	94
1932	11.6	736		254	237	34	32	109		104	103
1933	14.3	750		254	238	34	32	123		102	100
1934	10.9	644		229	212	36	33	76		86	89
1935	11.4	658		242	226	37	34	105		102	107
1936	13.1	715		271	249	38	35	115		109	110
1937	9.4	601		248	215	41	36	72		84	86
1938	11.4	651		276	242	42	37	121	108	108	113
1939	12.6	697		287	254	41	36	111	108	107	105
1940	10.4	634		292	240	46	38	83	96	91	94
1941	11.5	745		328	278	44	37	111	109	118	116
1942	13.2	844	21	363	319	43	38	115	112	113	115
1943	14.7	1,001	17	393	350	39	35	111	116	119	110
1944	11.2	832	20	347	301	42	36	76	83	83	86
1945	12.8	890	18	371	322	42	36	114	96	107	107
1946	11.8	738	22	325	281	44	38	92	86	83	87
1947	11.3	719	26	326	278	45	39	96	94	97	99
1948	9.8	615	30	301	258	49	42	87	80	86	93
1949	12.6	705	31	324	287	46	41	118	107	115	111
1950	9.6	620	32	283	258	46	42	76	88	77	90
1951	11.4	623	33	288	261	46	42	119	96	101	101
1952	9.0	561	37	259	238	46	42	79	90	90	91
1953	11.3	548	42	266	255	49	47	124	96	98	107
1954	10.9	540	49	273	257	50	48	96	100	99	101
1955	9.7	4/ 459	50	242	239	53	52	89	82	85	93
1956	12.1	4/ 471	53	259	250	55	53	125	103	103	105
1957	9.3	4/ 394	60	228	227	58	58	77	91	84	91
1958	11.9	4/ 421	65	254	246	60	58	128	106	107	109
1959	10.0	386	68	231	225	60	58	84	99	92	91
1960	9.6	332	69	206	209	62	63	95	91	86	93
1961	11.5	346	5/ 70					120	112	104	

1/ Weights are as follows: Preceding November, 1; preceding December, 2; January, 3; February, 4; March, 5; April, 3; May, 1.
2/ For farm flock replacement; excluding specialized broilers, but including broiler breeder stock.
3/ Laying and not yet laying.
4/ Revised.
5/ Intentions to purchase.

Table 15.--Culling rates and chicken numbers, selected data, 1950 to date

Year	Potential layers Jan. 1			Layers June 1	
	Pullets	Hens	Total	As reported	As percent of Jan. 1 potential layers
	Million	Million	Million	Million	Percent
1950	286.8	137.0	423.8	314.8	74
1951	258.2	141.2	399.3	302.6	76
1952	261.4	135.8	397.2	297.3	75
1953	237.6	135.4	373.0	288.6	77
1954	255.1	115.8	371.0	289.1	78
1955	257.2	111.4	368.6	287.4	78
1956	239.1	122.0	361.1	289.7	80
1957	250.3	119.5	369.8	289.0	78
1958	226.6	129.0	355.5	286.5	81
1959	246.0	120.8	366.9	291.3	79
1960	225.0	126.7	351.8	284.3	81
1961	208.6	131.5	340.1	281.2	83

Year	Net reduction Jan. 1 potential layers to June 1 layers	Slaughter of hens and cocks in large plants precent of previous year		Hens Oct. 1	
		Jan.-May 31	June 1-Oct. 1	As reported	As percent of Jan. 1 pullets
	Million	Percent	Percent	Million	Percent
1950	109.0			189.2	66
1951	96.7			179.0	69
1952	99.9			171.5	66
1953	84.4			156.2	66
1954	81.9			154.3	60
1955	81.2	121	110	165.8	64
1956	71.4	98	103	150.6	63
1957	80.8	126	82	164.7	66
1958	69.0	86	124	151.9	67
1959	75.5	132	90	159.7	65
1960	67.5	89	92	168.9	75
1961	58.9	120			

Table 16.--Broilers: Price per pound, selected areas, January 1955 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual weighted average
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
	(a) U. S. mid-month average price received by farmers, live												
1955	24.4	25.4	29.7	28.4	27.0	27.2	26.5	26.9	25.2	22.0	21.2	19.4	25.2
1956	20.6	21.4	21.9	20.8	21.1	20.2	21.4	19.6	18.2	17.2	16.8	16.6	19.6
1957	18.0	19.5	19.5	18.8	19.3	20.7	21.4	20.7	18.1	17.0	16.9	16.4	18.9
1958	19.9	20.4	21.4	19.4	20.3	21.1	19.3	17.6	16.3	15.8	15.8	15.1	18.5
1959	17.9	16.8	16.9	16.3	15.8	15.8	16.1	15.6	15.4	14.9	14.8	17.4	16.1
1960	17.1	17.6	18.0	17.4	17.5	17.6	17.7	16.6	15.8	15.8	15.7	15.5	16.9
1961	16.5	17.6	16.8	15.1	14.4	12.8	12.6						
	(b) Del-Mar-Va, average price, live 1/												
1955	25.2	26.4	30.0	31.7	25.2	28.0	27.9	27.8	26.9	20.7	18.7	19.5	
1956	21.2	22.7	23.1	20.4	21.1	19.0	23.2	19.7	18.5	17.9	16.7	17.4	
1957	18.0	20.6	21.8	20.2	19.3	21.8	22.3	22.0	19.1	17.2	16.7	16.0	
1958	18.6	21.0	22.2	19.3	21.8	22.2	20.2	18.6	16.3	15.8	16.9	15.0	
1959	17.3	16.9	16.9	17.0	17.2	16.2	17.7	16.4	16.9	15.2	15.0	19.9	
1960	17.0	18.2	20.0	18.1	17.6	18.2	20.1	18.0	17.0	15.9	17.8	15.8	
1961	17.4	19.3	17.5	15.9	15.2	12.8	14.0	13.4	12.4				
	(c) North Georgia, price at farm, live 1/												
1955	22.0	23.7	28.1	29.9	26.0	26.5	24.3	26.0	25.0	21.0	21.1	18.7	
1956	21.3	21.1	21.0	19.6	20.0	18.2	21.5	18.7	16.5	16.0	16.3	15.1	
1957	17.0	19.7	19.7	19.0	17.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	17.5	15.7	15.4	16.1	
1958	17.1	19.0	21.0	19.2	20.0	20.0	19.8	17.0	15.6	15.2	16.1	14.2	
1959	14.6	15.1	15.5	15.8	14.9	14.5	15.5	14.6	14.4	13.8	14.0	16.2	
1960	15.6	17.3	18.3	17.5	17.3	16.8	17.2	16.7	15.4	14.7	14.9	14.6	
1961	15.4	16.7	16.0	15.0	13.0	11.0	12.0	13.0	11.0				
	(d) San Joaquin Valley of California, monthly average prices paid at ranch, live 2/												
1955	25.2	26.4	31.5	30.0	29.5	29.5	28.1	29.0	27.4	22.4	21.2	19.8	
1956	21.0	21.3	21.6	21.6	21.9	22.6	23.9	21.8	20.6	18.3	16.5	19.5	
1957	21.0	20.3	22.2	20.3	20.6	22.0	22.0	22.4	19.9	16.5	17.1	17.0	
1958	20.8	20.9	23.9	21.0	21.2	22.0	20.5	19.1	16.3	15.9	17.3	15.5	
1959	18.6	18.5	18.8	16.9	18.0	18.6	18.8	18.8	16.7	15.0	16.0	17.4	
1960	18.0	18.7	20.4	20.2	19.0	18.9	19.3	18.5	17.5	16.8	16.8	16.7	18.4
1961	17.5	18.8	16.0	17.5	14.9	13.8	13.6	14.0					
	(e) Chicago, ready-to-cook (ice-packed), monthly average price 3/												
1955	38.7	40.0	45.9	44.7	43.1	42.9	41.5	42.3	39.3	34.8	34.0	32.0	
1956	34.0	34.8	35.3	33.6	34.1	32.3	34.5	32.2	30.3	28.7	28.3	26.8	
1957	29.5	31.9	31.5	30.9	31.2	33.6	34.2	33.3	29.6	27.9	27.9	27.4	
1958	32.8	32.7	34.5	31.8	32.7	33.8	31.7	29.3	27.4	26.4	26.6	25.3	
1959	29.2	28.7	28.7	27.9	27.1	26.9	27.3	26.6	26.4	25.8	25.1	28.9	
1960	28.8	29.9	30.5	29.3	29.2	29.2	29.6	28.2	27.0	26.8	26.5	26.1	
1961	27.9	29.4	28.2	25.8	25.8	24.1	22.0	22.6					
	(f) New York, ready-to-cook (ice-packed), wholesale lots, monthly average price 4/												
1955	43.8	43.7	48.3	46.7	44.2	45.2	44.6	45.2	43.0	36.6	36.3	36.3	
1956	35.8	37.4	37.6	35.4	36.1	35.2	38.4	34.5	33.2	31.6	30.8	30.3	
1957	32.7	33.9	33.9	32.8	33.7	35.7	37.4	32.8	32.5	30.5	30.0	29.5	
1958	34.8	35.2	36.2	33.4	34.4	35.5	33.0	30.9	28.8	28.0	27.8	26.9	
1959	30.9	30.3	29.5	29.0	28.2	28.6	29.3	28.1	28.5	27.4	27.2	30.8	
1960	30.8	30.8	31.8	29.9	30.8	30.7	31.7	29.9	28.6	27.9	28.0	26.6	
1961	29.9	31.0	29.3	27.1	25.8	24.0	23.7	24.7					

1/ First full week of month.

2/ $2\frac{1}{4}$ pounds and over.

3/ $1\frac{1}{4}$ - $3\frac{1}{4}$ pounds.

4/ 2-3 pounds prior to 1959; 1959, 2-$3\frac{1}{4}$ pounds ("mostly" price).

Table 17.--Monthly price and supply of broilers, and red meat supply, 1953 to date

Year	Unit	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average (weighted) or total
						(a) U. S. average mid-month broiler price, per lb.								
1953	Ct.	27.9	27.7	28.1	28.0	27.2	26.2	28.3	27.9	27.1	26.7	26.0	23.2	27.1
1954	Ct.	24.2	22.6	23.5	24.3	23.7	24.4	25.4	24.9	23.0	21.0	20.1	19.2	23.1
1955	Ct.	24.4	25.4	29.7	28.4	27.0	27.2	26.5	26.9	25.2	22.0	21.2	19.4	25.2
1956	Ct.	20.6	21.4	21.9	20.8	21.1	20.2	21.4	19.6	18.2	17.2	16.8	16.6	19.6
1957	Ct.	18.0	19.5	19.5	18.8	19.3	20.7	21.4	20.7	18.1	17.0	16.9	16.4	18.9
1958	Ct.	19.9	20.4	21.4	19.4	20.3	21.1	19.3	17.6	16.3	15.8	15.8	15.1	18.5
1959	Ct.	17.0	16.8	16.9	16.3	15.8	15.8	16.1	15.6	15.4	14.9	14.8	17.4	16.1
1960	Ct.	17.1	17.7	18.1	17.7	17.8	17.6	17.9	16.6	16.1	16.0	15.8	15.8	16.9
1961	Ct.	16.5	17.6	16.8	15.1	14.4	12.8	12.6	13.0					
						(b) Lagged monthly hatchings of broiler chicks, (except total which is U. S. broiler production) 1/								
1954	Mil.						2/106.8	2/110.3	2/108.4	2/95.3				1,047.8
1955	Mil.				81.2	92.1	105.4	109.7	115.9	111.8	111.0	98.8	86.9	1,091.7
1956	Mil.	93.4	95.9	102.7	110.9	114.9	132.4	134.9	142.6	137.9	128.4	123.1	106.9	1,343.7
1957	Mil.	107.3	107.8	108.8	128.6	122.4	139.3	141.3	147.6	141.9	143.5	132.2	119.4	1,447.5
1958	Mil.	116.4	126.5	140.0	137.2	151.3	163.0	180.7	177.6	172.0	153.0	130.3	133.5	1,659.5
1959	Mil.	133.6	148.0	154.0	150.2	183.5	180.6	175.1	169.4	166.4	149.9	122.1	121.7	1,736.9
1960	Mil.	129.7	141.5	159.1	159.5	176.8	172.9	195.1	185.3	175.7	155.5	140.0	143.4	1,795.7
1961	Mil.	144.2	157.9	167.5	173.0	209.1	216.3	212.8	196.5	187.4	170.4			
						(c) Federally inspected slaughter of young chickens, live weight								
1959	Mil. lb.	331.1	313.1	364.1	403.4	420.4	457.0	442.7	430.8	434.3	424.4	339.2	318.5	4,679.0
1960	Mil. lb.	353.7	348.7	396.7	420.1	460.9	471.3	446.9	525.0	474.3	450.1	399.5	389.6	5,136.8
1961	Mil. lb.	411.7	354.8	462.7	497.5	581.1	610.8	567.7						
						(d) Monthly commercial production of red meats								
1953	Mil. lb.	2,113	1,745	1,897	1,863	1,739	1,821	1,823	1,786	1,965	2,172	2,116	2,152	23,192
1954	Mil. lb.	2,062	1,735	2,020	1,818	1,792	1,912	1,876	1,930	2,071	2,120	2,199	2,270	23,805
1955	Mil. lb.	2,192	1,854	2,176	1,929	1,964	2,001	1,815	2,158	2,227	2,324	2,398	2,433	25,471
1956	Mil. lb.	2,474	2,182	2,264	2,107	2,147	2,059	2,078	2,136	2,070	2,511	2,411	2,204	26,643
1957	Mil. lb.	2,439	2,027	2,098	2,041	2,166	1,917	2,099	2,084	2,098	2,405	2,097	2,096	25,567
1958	Mil. lb.	2,268	1,807	1,907	1,984	1,948	1,934	2,011	1,939	2,119	2,314	1,965	2,182	24,378
1959	Mil. lb.	2,241	1,980	2,084	2,153	2,018	2,064	2,145	2,003	2,253	2,402	2,245	2,429	26,017
1960	Mil. lb.	2,401	2,162	2,326	2,110	2,245	2,244	2,032	2,321	2,312	2,315	2,301	2,247	27,016
1961	Mil. lb.	2,333	2,043	2,377	2,102	2,396	2,328	2,078						

1/ Through 1957, lagged 3 months; thereafter, lagged 2 months.
2/ Derived.

Table 18.--Weekly broiler chick placements, 22 States, related to 1960 production, and placements to date related to 1961 production

State	Weekly broiler chick placements			Number of broilers produced 1960		Weekly broiler chick placements				
	Last 10 weeks of 1959	First 42 weeks of 1960	1959-60 total	As reported	As a percent of lagged placements	Last 10 weeks of 1960	First 36 weeks of 1961	1960-61 total 2/	1959-60 total corresponding weeks 1/	1960-61 total as a percent of corresponding 1959-60 total 2/
	Million	Million	Million	Million	Percent	Million	Million	Million	Million	Percent
Maine	9.5	46.6	56.1	54.1	96	10.6	43.2	53.8	50.4	107
Connecticut	4.2	18.9	23.1	22.2	96	4.4	15.0	19.4	20.4	95
Pennsylvania	6.9	31.5	38.4	37.7	98	7.7	29.7	37.4	34.5	108
Indiana	6.0	31.8	37.7	36.1	96	7.3	29.4	36.6	34.2	107
Illinois	.8	4.7	5.5	5.5	100	1.0	3.7	4.7	5.0	94
Missouri	6.0	26.4	32.2	31.8	98	6.1	30.4	36.5	28.9	126
Delaware	16.0	80.2	96.2	91.3	95	16.2	69.4	85.5	87.3	98
Maryland	19.6	88.6	108.1	102.8	95	18.5	81.9	100.4	96.8	104
Virginia	8.5	47.2	55.8	54.5	98	9.0	40.6	49.6	51.3	97
West Virginia	3.9	21.3	25.2	24.8	98	3.8	18.3	22.1	23.0	96
North Carolina	23.2	135.4	158.5	156.6	99	30.0	139.9	169.9	141.7	120
South Carolina	3.2	15.0	18.2	17.5	96	3.2	15.7	18.9	16.3	116
Georgia	51.9	283.1	335.0	320.2	96	58.3	274.5	332.8	299.9	111
Florida	1.6	9.0	10.6	10.1	95	2.2	9.3	11.4	9.3	123
Alabama	27.0	156.0	183.0	176.7	97	30.6	153.6	184.3	164.3	112
Mississippi	18.7	99.9	118.5	115.9	98	22.9	104.3	127.2	106.8	119
Arkansas	29.3	155.9	185.2	180.4	97	35.4	175.3	210.7	167.4	126
Louisiana	3.1	17.6	20.7	20.2	98	3.9	19.4	23.3	18.7	125
Texas	16.3	92.4	108.7	105.2	97	18.9	98.3	117.2	98.7	119
Washington	2.7	13.6	16.3	15.5	95	2.5	12.8	15.3	14.8	103
Oregon	1.5	10.6	12.2	11.7	96	2.1	9.7	11.8	11.0	107
California	10.6	46.4	57.0	54.8	96	11.9	48.3	60.3	50.9	118
Total 22 States	270.4	1,431.9	1,702.3	1,645.7	97	306.3	1,423.5	1,729.9	1,531.5	113
U. S. Total				1,795.7						

1/ Last 10 weeks of 1959 and first 24 weeks of 1960. 2/ 34 weeks.

Table 19.--Poultry slaughtered under Federal inspection, live weight, monthly
January 1959 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total 1/
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
						(a) Young chickens							
1959	331	313	364	403	420	457	443	431	434	424	339	318	4,679
1960	354	349	397	420	461	471	447	525	474	450	400	390	5,133
1961	412	355	463	498	581	611	568						
						(b) Mature chickens							
1959	33	24	31	42	45	36	34	53	67	79	60	50	553
1960	39	38	30	19	26	33	38	51	66	75	66	54	535
1961	47	29	31	33	42	39	33						
						(c) Total chickens							
1959	364	337	395	445	465	493	476	484	501	504	399	368	5,232
1960	393	387	427	439	486	504	485	576	540	525	466	444	5,672
1961	459	384	493	531	623	650	601						
						(d) Fryer-roaster turkeys							
1959	6	6	9	10	11	13	12	12	15	16	14	11	136
1960	6	7	10	9	9	9	8	12	12	15	13	11	120
1961	9	7	16	10	12	11	11						
						(e) Young turkeys							
1959	21	8	4	7	12	21	42	83	144	215	225	133	915
1960	21	10	5	8	17	27	51	125	175	226	213	143	1,020
1961	33	11	12	13	30	56	87						
						(f) Old turkeys							
1959	1	1	2	5	15	16	4	3	1	1	2	1	53
1960	1	1	2	4	8	22	6	2	1	1	1	2	50
1961	2	2	4	5	13	25	6						
						(g) Total Turkeys							
1959	28	14	16	22	39	50	59	98	160	232	241	145	1,104
1960	27	18	17	21	34	58	65	139	188	242	227	155	1,190
1961	44	20	31	28	56	91	104						
						(h) Ducks							
1959	1.2	1.0	2.2	5.1	5.9	8.3	8.5	6.8	6.1	4.4	2.8	2.0	54.4
1960	1.2	1.6	3.2	5.8	8.0	7.9	7.3	8.3	6.8	5.4	4.3	2.4	62.3
1961	1.5	1.1	2.4	5.4	7.2	8.7	8.2						
						(i) Other Poultry							
1959	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.3	.6	.7	.6	2.5	.7	6.0
1960	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.2	.6	.6	.3	1.8	.4	4.4
1961	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.3	.2						
						(j) Total Poultry							
1959	393	352	413	472	510	552	544	589	668	741	645	515	6,396
1960	422	406	447	466	529	570	557	723	735	772	699	602	6,929
1961	504	405	527	564	685	750	713						

1/ Totals may not add, due to rounding.

Table 20.--Commercial broilers: Production by States and regions 1945-60

State and division	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.
Maine	1.5	0.9	2.3	6.5	13.0	16.9	21.1	23.0	27.9	30.7	33.4	43.5	50.4	56.5	58.2	54.1
New Hampshire	3.5	2.2	2.3	2.8	3.4	4.0	4.8	6.1	7.3	7.3	7.6	8.4	7.6	7.9	6.6	5.6
Vermont	.7	.4	.3	.4	.4	.5	.5	.7	.8	.9	1.0	.9	.8	1.0	.9	.5
Massachusetts	6.3	5.5	5.8	7.5	9.2	11.9	14.3	14.6	15.5	16.7	17.1	18.4	14.6	14.0	11.0	9.5
Rhode Island	.6	.4	.5	.6	.6	.8	.9	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.6
Connecticut	10.4	8.2	7.8	9.2	11.5	14.0	17.2	21.2	23.9	25.1	25.9	30.5	28.4	30.4	26.7	22.2
New York	6.6	5.7	5.1	5.9	7.0	8.6	10.3	10.6	12.8	13.1	13.1	14.6	14.3	12.9	11.6	10.3
New Jersey	7.0	6.5	4.5	6.0	7.0	7.5	8.5	6.6	7.8	8.2	9.4	10.7	7.0	6.8	5.8	5.5
Pennsylvania	6.4	5.9	6.1	7.9	10.4	14.9	19.4	22.3	26.5	29.7	30.3	36.4	35.3	42.3	40.4	37.7
North Atlantic	42.9	35.7	34.6	46.8	62.5	79.1	97.2	106.2	123.8	133.1	139.1	165.0	159.8	173.4	162.9	147.1
Ohio	5.2	4.7	3.3	3.6	4.5	6.3	10.0	12.7	15.3	16.1	17.2	19.5	17.6	17.6	16.0	14.0
Indiana	9.2	9.6	11.3	15.2	20.2	27.9	34.0	33.7	33.7	36.4	32.4	38.5	42.4	44.9	39.5	36.1
Illinois	9.8	5.9	7.1	7.9	10.1	10.2	10.2	10.4	9.7	9.1	8.7	9.1	8.3	8.4	7.1	5.5
Michigan	1.6	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.5	2.2	3.1	3.5	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.9	4.3	4.7	3.6	3.2
Wisconsin	4.0	4.0	3.7	4.2	5.1	6.1	7.6	9.5	11.0	13.1	13.8	16.6	17.4	19.5	19.7	20.7
East North Central	29.7	25.2	26.4	32.0	41.4	52.6	64.9	69.9	73.9	79.0	76.3	88.6	90.0	95.1	85.9	79.5
Minnesota	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.7	2.2	3.1	3.3	3.4	2.7	2.5	2.7	2.9	4.0	5.0	6.9
Iowa	3.3	2.8	2.6	4.0	4.6	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.2	3.4	4.0
Missouri	3.3	2.5	2.3	5.1	11.4	13.4	17.1	18.8	21.7	25.8	25.8	31.7	28.2	33.9	39.2	31.8
North Dakota	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
South Dakota	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Nebraska	.9	.8	.9	1.5	2.7	3.4	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.5	3.6	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.2
Kansas	1.1	.8	.8	1.0	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.5	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.9	1.7	2.0	2.0	1.9
W. N. Central	9.8	8.2	7.8	13.0	22.0	25.6	32.4	34.9	37.2	40.0	38.3	44.0	39.6	46.3	52.1	46.7
Delaware	72.9	54.7	53.6	53.0	71.6	80.9	85.8	65.2	68.5	69.8	69.8	85.7	93.5	94.5	85.1	91.3
Maryland	39.9	31.1	34.5	38.3	48.3	54.6	60.6	57.0	62.1	58.4	58.4	67.0	74.3	87.3	93.3	102.8
Virginia	27.0	21.9	23.6	26.5	38.1	40.0	46.0	50.6	58.7	59.3	55.2	62.9	61.6	63.5	54.0	54.5
West Virginia	8.1	6.8	8.4	11.8	13.7	15.1	17.3	19.1	22.5	25.4	21.9	24.3	25.2	27.3	27.5	24.8
North Carolina	17.9	14.7	16.2	18.3	23.0	28.1	32.6	43.4	50.7	58.3	72.9	94.1	106.4	134.6	137.4	156.6
South Carolina	3.6	3.6	3.3	4.0	6.5	7.5	8.8	10.4	11.3	11.0	10.1	13.4	15.7	17.6	17.0	17.5
Georgia	29.5	22.4	28.7	33.0	45.6	62.9	88.7	112.6	121.6	154.5	177.6	222.8	261.0	292.1	303.0	320.2
Florida	5.8	5.5	6.8	7.2	8.3	9.0	8.9	10.0	10.5	11.7	9.4	11.8	10.9	11.3	10.4	10.1
South Atlantic	204.8	160.6	175.2	192.2	255.2	298.1	348.7	368.3	405.9	448.6	475.3	581.9	648.6	728.2	727.8	777.9
Kentucky	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.5	3.7	5.2	7.9	9.5	12.2	14.4	18.5	17.6	16.5
Tennessee	2.0	1.8	1.9	2.6	3.1	3.9	5.8	8.8	11.0	11.5	13.2	17.9	21.1	29.1	32.7	33.3
Alabama	5.1	4.6	4.8	6.0	10.5	13.1	16.7	23.5	28.4	47.7	57.8	82.5	103.9	131.6	158.2	176.7
Mississippi	2.4	1.8	3.4	6.0	9.4	17.0	23.5	30.8	35.7	40.3	37.5	52.9	66.6	85.4	107.6	115.9
Arkansas	17.5	16.4	15.6	24.4	40.0	49.2	69.8	72.6	74.1	78.5	77.0	99.3	110.2	133.3	164.0	180.4
Louisiana	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.9	2.1	4.5	8.1	10.8	11.4	11.7	15.7	17.4	20.5	21.6	20.2
Oklahoma	1.0	.8	.7	1.1	2.0	2.9	5.4	6.7	7.1	6.8	6.4	5.8	6.5	5.5	7.5	6.7
Texas	13.9	12.5	10.6	14.2	25.3	33.4	50.4	61.0	65.3	71.8	79.7	100.1	100.8	114.9	115.2	105.2
South Central	44.7	40.4	39.3	56.8	93.5	123.3	178.6	215.1	237.5	276.0	292.8	386.3	440.9	538.8	624.4	655.0
Montana	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Idaho	---	---	---	---	---	.8	.8	1.1	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.7	2.2	2.8	3.3	3.8
Wyoming	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Colorado	.6	.6	.7	.9	1.3	1.6	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.2	1.9	1.5	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2
New Mexico	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Arizona	.7	.5	.4	.7	.8	1.0	1.1	.8	.6	.5	.6	.5	.5	.6	.7	.7
Utah	---	---	---	---	---	.7	1.4	1.6	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.3	1.9	2.0	2.1	1.8
Nevada	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Washington	3.0	1.8	3.1	3.8	4.7	4.6	7.7	7.5	8.3	9.6	9.8	11.1	11.7	14.9	16.0	15.5
Oregon	1.7	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.2	4.3	5.9	5.1	4.9	5.5	6.1	8.4	7.7	8.3	10.7	11.7
California	27.6	17.9	20.8	21.8	28.6	39.5	47.8	48.2	48.7	50.2	48.5	52.4	43.5	47.8	49.8	54.8
Western	33.6	22.3	26.8	29.7	38.7	52.6	66.8	66.6	68.2	71.2	70.0	77.8	68.6	77.7	83.8	89.6
United States 1/	365.6	292.5	310.2	370.5	513.3	631.5	788.6	860.9	946.5	1,047.8	1,091.7	1,343.7	1,447.5	1,659.5	1,736.9	1,795.7

1/ Totals do not necessarily add due to rounding.

Table 21.--Hatching eggs and table eggs: Weekly prices per dozen, Georgia and volume of hatching operations
(Includes data for cover chart)

Week ending	1960						1961					
	Hatching egg price 1/	Table egg price 2/	Differential	Eggs set		Size of breeder flock as percentage of year before	Hatching egg price 1/	Table egg price 2/	Differential	Eggs set		Size of breeder flock as percentage of year before
				Georgia	U. S.					Georgia	U. S.	
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Thou.	Thou.		Cents	Cents	Cents	Thou.	Thou.	
Jan. 4	66	29	37	8,156	45,877	90	76	44	41	8,879	47,162	101
11	66	29	37	8,341	46,239		76	39	41	9,380	49,345	
18	67	29	38	8,572	47,231		76	40	36	9,943	51,704	
25	66	28	38	8,874	47,784		76	41	35	10,353	53,555	
Feb. 1	66	29	37	9,107	47,410	86	76	42	34	10,619	54,393	108
8	64	28	36	9,449	48,348		76	41	35	10,699	54,342	
15	63	28	35	9,377	48,805		76	42	34	10,794	55,324	
22	60	29	31	9,759	49,221		75	43	32	11,219	57,054	
Mar. 1	59	30	29	9,709	49,622	83	74	40	34	11,393	58,696	112
8	57	29	28	9,372	48,387		74	37	37	11,635	59,436	
15	57	33	24	9,618	48,554		73	39	34	11,767	61,007	
22	57	38	19	9,541	48,913		72	38	34	12,125	61,967	
29	60	41	19	9,770	50,171		71	35	36	12,289	61,846	
Apr. 5	61	38	23	10,188	50,921	80	71	34	37	12,275	61,912	118
12	63	41	22	10,643	52,699		69	34	35	11,959	61,004	
19	66	40	26	10,762	53,771		65	34	31	11,480	59,967	
26	68	38	30	10,873	54,609		61	34	27	11,247	58,258	
May 3	68	35	33	11,085	55,186	76	58	32	26	11,207	57,975	122
10	68	33	35	10,946	54,492		55	33	22	11,019	56,935	
17	70	33	37	10,834	54,242		55	32	23	11,143	57,412	
24	70	34	36	10,714	53,969		54	31	23	11,098	56,987	
31	70	34	36	10,497	53,444		55	33	22	10,817	55,821	
June 7	70	33	37	10,195	52,132	75	54	34	20	10,760	54,575	123
14	70	30	40	9,866	50,952		54	32	22	10,565	53,302	
21	70	31	39	9,740	51,272		54	32	22	10,529	54,089	
28	69	31	38	9,499	49,615		54	35	19	10,032	53,049	
July 5	69	32	37	9,129	47,581	76	55	38	17	9,925	51,671	120
12	70	31	39	8,741	46,673		57	39	18	9,950	51,332	
19	70	32	38	8,749	45,468		57	36	21	9,685	49,927	
26	71	35	36	8,561	44,259		57	37	20	9,129	48,202	
Aug. 2	72	36	36	8,305	43,190	77	55	36	19	8,707	47,057	127
9	73	35	38	8,516	42,883		55	37	18	8,534	45,649	
16	74	35	39	8,392	41,854		53	41	12	8,565	44,851	
23	75	37	38	8,649	41,291		51	40	11	8,069	42,851	
30	75	42	33	8,781	41,526		50	40	10	7,443	40,560	
Sept. 6	75	46	29	8,690	41,348	81	49	39	10	7,589	40,854	117
13	75	44	31	8,575	41,594							
20	75	44	31	8,694	41,089							
27	75	48	27	8,570	40,521							
Oct. 4	74	52	22	8,458	40,966	89						
11	74	54	20	8,646	41,650							
18	74	51	23	8,681	42,508							
25	74	46	28	8,626	42,882							
Nov. 1	74	50	24	8,517	42,304	96						
8	74	51	23	8,384	43,217							
15	75	53	22	8,476	43,695							
22	75	56	19	8,417	44,035							
29	75	54	19	8,166	44,217							
Dec. 6	75	48	21	8,391	45,158	97						
13	75	46	29	8,760	46,820							
20	75	49	26	8,937	46,751							
27	76	51	25	8,768	46,440							

1/ Average for all hatching eggs, reported by Georgia Crop Reporting Service. 2/ As reported by Dairy and Poultry Market News Service.

Table 22.--Turkeys: Monthly hatchings, by breed types, lagged to indicate prospective month of marketing

Month of marketing	Heavy white breed hatchings 5 months previous				Other heavy breed hatchings 6 months previous			
	1959	1960	1961	1962	1959	1960	1961	1962
	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.
January	0.8	1.0	1.3	1.7	2.9	2.3	2.7	2.8
February	.5	.8	.9		.1	.1	.4	.3
March	.6	.9	1.1		2/	2/	.1	
April	.8	1.2	1.3		.1	.1	.3	
May	1.1	1.2	1.9		.3	.4	.7	
June	1.1	1.2	2.2		.6	.9	1.6	
July	1.1	1.5	2.5		1.3	1.9	3.1	
August	2.0	2.7	4.6		3.5	5.4	6.8	
September	2.8	3.4	4.9		9.5	11.3	12.7	
October	3.7	3.8	5.5		13.7	13.2	15.1	
November	3.1	3.4	4.7		13.6	12.3	14.5	
December	2.1	2.3	3.0		8.8	8.1	9.1	

	Light breed hatchings 4 months previous			All turkeys: Sum of preceding columns 1/		
	1959	1960	1961	1959	1960	1961
	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.
January	0.5	0.4	0.6	4.2	3.7	4.6
February	.5	.3	.5	1.1	1.2	1.8
March	.7	.4	.6	1.3	1.3	1.8
April	1.1	.6	.9	2.1	1.9	2.5
May	1.6	.6	.9	2.9	2.2	3.6
June	1.4	.8	.8	3.2	2.9	4.6
July	1.8	1.0	1.1	4.2	4.5	6.6
August	2.0	1.1	1.6	7.5	9.2	12.9
September	2.5	1.6	1.9	14.9	16.3	19.6
October	2.2	1.7	1.9	19.5	18.7	22.5
November	1.9	1.6	1.8	18.6	17.3	20.9
December	1.1	1.1	1.0	11.9	11.6	13.1

1/ Obtained from unrounded figures.

2/ Less than 0.05.

Table 23.--Turkeys raised by regions and principal States, 1959-61

Region and State	1959 1/			1960 1/			1961 2/			Difference, 1961 from 1960 3/					
										Number			Percent		
	Heavy breeds	Light breeds	All turkeys	Heavy breeds	Light breeds	All turkeys	Heavy breeds	Light breeds	All turkeys	Heavy breeds	Light breeds	All turkeys	Heavy breeds	Light breeds	All turkeys
	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Mil.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
North Atlantic	3.4	0.1	3.5	3.1	0.3	3.3	3.3	0.3	3.6	+208	+12	+220	107	104	107
Pennsylvania	1.5	.1	1.6	1.4	.2	1.6	1.4	.2	1.6	+14	-19	-5	101	92	100
East North Central	10.8	2.3	13.1	11.2	1.5	12.6	14.7	1.7	16.4	+3,549	+225	+3,774	132	115	130
Ohio	2.0	1.0	3.0	2.2	.9	3.1	2.5	1.1	3.6	+318	+123	+441	114	113	114
Indiana	2.5	.8	3.4	2.8	.3	3.1	3.7	.3	4.0	+870	+33	+903	131	112	129
Illinois	1.1	.1	1.2	1.0	.1	1.0	1.1	.2	1.3	+163	+102	+265	117	265	126
Wisconsin	4.1	.1	4.2	4.1	4/	4.1	6.1	4/	6.1	+2,022	+17	+2,039	150	181	150
West North Central	25.0	3.7	28.7	27.1	3.1	30.2	34.9	4.3	39.2	+7,788	+1,245	+9,033	129	140	130
Minnesota	11.5	1.6	13.2	13.0	1.5	14.5	17.1	2.0	19.1	+4,066	+525	+4,591	131	135	132
Iowa	6.8	1.4	8.2	6.8	.9	7.7	8.5	.9	9.4	+1,743	+27	+1,770	126	103	123
Missouri	3.4	.5	3.9	3.8	.5	4.3	4.8	.9	5.7	+987	+427	+1,414	126	184	133
Nebraska	.9	4/	1.0	1.1	4/	1.1	1.3	4/	1.3	+196	+25	+221	118	239	120
South Atlantic	5.2	6.9	12.1	5.0	4.1	9.1	6.4	4.7	11.0	+1,417	+529	+1,946	129	113	121
Virginia	1.6	5.2	6.8	1.5	3.1	4.7	1.7	3.6	5.4	+193	+505	+698	113	116	115
West Virginia	.4	.9	1.2	.3	.6	.9	.3	.6	.9	-13	-18	-31	96	97	97
North Carolina	1.5	.2	1.7	1.8	4/	1.8	2.5	4/	2.6	+760	-5	+755	143	76	142
South Central	6.4	1.4	7.8	7.7	.6	8.3	9.7	.7	10.3	+1,916	+76	+1,992	125	113	121
Arkansas	1.7	.4	2.1	2.0	.2	2.1	2.5	.4	2.9	+484	+238	+722	125	247	134
Oklahoma	.9	.2	1.1	1.2	.1	1.3	1.5	.1	1.6	+329	-13	+316	128	88	125
Texas	2.8	.6	3.4	3.7	.3	3.9	4.3	.1	4.4	+640	-140	+500	117	48	113
Western	18.0	1.3	19.3	20.4	.8	21.2	25.4	.9	26.4	+5,070	+113	+5,183	125	114	124
Colorado	1.3	4/	1.3	1.5	4/	1.5	1.9	4/	1.9	+425	+4	+429	129	121	129
Utah	2.2	.3	2.5	2.7	.1	2.8	3.6	.2	3.7	+852	+71	+923	131	175	133
Oregon	1.2	.2	1.4	1.2	.2	1.4	1.6	.2	1.8	+341	+46	+387	127	128	127
California	12.3	.7	13.0	14.0	.5	14.5	17.5	.5	18.0	+3,481	+22	+3,503	125	104	124
United States	68.7	15.8	84.5	74.4	10.3	84.7	94.3	12.5	106.9	+19,948	+2,200	+22,148	127	121	126

1/ Revised.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Computed from unrounded data.
4/ Less than 0.05.

Table 24.--Turkeys raised, by States and divisions, 1950-61

State and division	Number raised on farms											
	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960 1/	1961 2/
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Maine	74	133	464	325	370	259	137	137	119	88	80	47
N. H.	123	141	166	161	171	142	121	132	123	122	108	95
Vt.	120	133	138	127	131	115	115	110	73	61	28	36
Mass.	447	514	653	633	703	642	571	542	482	453	362	463
R. I.	49	55	61	60	62	52	45	39	23	20	24	22
Conn.	269	285	342	311	308	271	263	234	192	201	235	322
N. Y.	808	881	943	981	1,059	974	935	809	783	770	722	773
N. J.	332	359	384	353	371	334	267	214	173	166	166	192
Pa.	1,852	2,130	2,684	2,308	2,470	2,297	2,113	1,931	1,677	1,650	1,605	1,600
N. ATL.	4,074	4,631	5,835	5,259	5,645	5,086	4,567	4,148	3,645	3,531	3,330	3,550
Ohio	1,361	1,565	1,972	2,366	2,958	2,958	3,195	3,003	3,153	3,020	3,148	3,589
Ind.	1,249	1,436	1,795	1,885	2,149	1,956	2,054	2,670	3,190	3,379	3,092	3,995
Ill.	865	934	999	899	953	896	1,156	1,300	1,126	1,239	1,037	1,302
Mich.	916	962	1,097	1,119	1,175	964	1,089	1,372	1,154	1,249	1,258	1,384
Wis.	977	1,153	1,349	1,592	1,783	2,211	2,543	2,645	2,777	4,249	4,079	6,118
E.N.CENT.	5,368	6,050	7,212	7,861	9,018	8,985	10,037	10,990	11,400	13,136	12,614	16,388
Minn.	4,219	4,852	5,531	5,808	7,725	8,034	9,560	9,942	10,539	13,173	14,541	19,132
Iowa	2,956	3,222	3,673	3,673	4,591	4,453	5,833	6,300	6,804	8,165	7,675	9,445
Mo.	1,854	2,225	2,180	2,289	2,518	2,442	3,101	3,163	3,353	3,889	4,285	5,699
N. Dak.	495	564	525	536	563	507	578	642	727	853	827	1,290
S. Dak.	320	336	370	396	416	369	642	681	708	791	855	1,069
Nebr.	784	862	862	819	868	816	955	907	1,039	891	1,115	1,336
Kans.	713	742	712	698	768	730	934	841	748	825	865	1,225
W.N.CENT.	11,341	12,803	13,853	14,219	17,449	17,351	21,603	22,476	23,918	28,679	30,163	39,196
Del.	124	143	360	824	1,277	919	965	656	512	467	280	233
Md.	438	460	529	492	743	535	407	476	328	254	170	179
Va.	2,294	3,670	5,762	4,840	5,421	5,529	6,469	7,116	6,476	6,760	4,654	5,352
W. Va.	962	1,385	1,800	1,656	1,838	1,636	1,701	1,531	1,454	1,236	923	892
N. C.	559	783	1,018	1,110	1,210	1,053	1,295	1,826	1,722	1,680	1,800	2,555
S. C.	771	1,002	1,303	1,173	1,431	1,116	1,216	1,192	930	846	628	907
Ga.	316	569	620	384	422	316	360	396	337	337	430	670
Fla.	138	150	170	185	194	165	223	308	256	449	206	249
S. ATL.	5,602	8,162	11,562	10,664	12,536	11,269	12,636	13,501	12,015	12,069	9,091	11,037
Ky.	314	392	439	448	470	423	444	400	444	453	358	764
Tenn.	186	205	221	199	219	175	210	197	187	135	129	144
Ala.	190	222	373	295	263	276	265	225	350	315	300	330
Miss.	124	144	140	148	152	147	162	163	175	208	144	150
Ark.	496	650	748	1,302	1,497	1,557	2,227	2,405	2,468	2,075	2,132	2,854
La.	85	106	122	112	112	78	82	79	70	65	58	55
Okla.	545	627	765	711	775	744	1,040	1,154	1,119	1,096	1,265	1,581
Tex.	2,927	3,161	3,509	3,158	3,032	3,032	4,357	4,589	3,471	3,430	3,940	4,440
S. CENT.	4,867	5,507	6,317	6,373	6,520	6,432	8,787	9,212	8,284	7,777	8,326	10,318
Mont.	130	117	113	99	96	67	84	53	19	28	8	16
Idaho	247	203	136	101	136	122	170	206	214	240	252	249
Wyo.	99	109	126	71	32	13	14	12	12	12	13	13
Colo.	723	723	723	636	897	860	1,161	1,184	1,326	1,286	1,479	1,908
N. Mex.	64	64	68	61	64	56	58	79	80	83	73	38
Ariz.	85	85	98	103	98	97	122	109	100	103	97	107
Utah	1,673	2,075	1,971	1,734	2,410	2,772	2,717	2,665	2,798	2,524	2,801	3,724
Nev.	24	21	18	15	13	10	7	6	2	2	1	1
Wash.	909	1,018	1,038	913	950	808	743	669	515	569	525	486
Oreg.	1,985	2,223	2,134	2,814	1,633	1,535	1,428	1,471	1,563	1,407	1,415	1,802
Calif.	7,202	9,507	11,123	9,899	10,196	10,196	12,643	14,666	13,661	13,047	14,536	18,039
WEST.	13,141	16,145	17,548	15,446	16,525	16,536	19,147	21,120	20,290	19,301	21,200	26,383
U. S.	44,393	53,298	62,327	59,822	67,693	65,659	76,777	81,447	79,552	84,493	84,724	106,872

1/ Revised.

2/ Preliminary.

Table 25.--Turkey prices, per pound: Selected series, January 1956 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Yearly average
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
	(a) Average farm price, mid-month (live), United States												
1956	30.6	31.0	31.3	30.8	30.6	29.1	28.6	28.3	26.7	25.9	25.9	27.8	27.2
1957	26.6	25.3	25.5	25.8	24.2	23.3	21.8	22.7	22.9	22.3	23.5	24.5	23.4
1958	22.0	24.6	26.7	26.7	27.3	25.5	24.5	24.8	23.7	23.9	23.0	23.3	23.9
1959	23.8	24.4	23.4	22.4	22.2	22.1	22.2	21.7	22.4	22.4	24.9	29.5	23.9
1960*	27.8	26.0	26.8	27.5	26.1	24.1	23.2	23.7	24.5	25.6	25.9	26.6	25.4
1961	25.4	23.7	23.6	22.1	21.5	20.5	19.5						
	(b) Live, heavy-type young toms, San Joaquin Valley, California, by months												
1956	30.3	---	---	---	---	28.8	26.7	25.4	24.7	23.5	24.8	27.7	---
1957	26.5	---	---	---	21.9	19.8	17.2	20.4	20.4	18.7	19.5	19.2	---
1958	19.1	---	---	---	24.1	22.2	21.4	22.3	19.7	20.0	19.0	21.1	---
1959	24.2	---	---	---	22.6	25.4	23.6	20.5	21.6	22.2	26.0	31.2	---
1960	28.5	27.2	---	25.2	24.7	23.1	22.2	22.7	23.1	24.6	23.9	25.4	---
1961	23.3	21.4	21.2	19.4	19.1	18.0	17.6	18.4					
	(c) Live, heavy-type hens, San Joaquin Valley, California, by months												
1956	32.8	---	---	---	32.0	28.4	26.6	27.1	27.6	26.4	25.4	26.2	---
1957	---	---	---	---	23.6	20.8	20.1	21.3	21.9	21.6	23.8	26.2	---
1958	23.8	---	---	---	31.5	27.4	25.5	25.5	23 3	24.3	22.9	23.2	---
1959	23.6	---	---	---	23.7	23.3	21.4	21.3	22.6	23.5	27.6	34.5	---
1960	29.1	---	---	29.6	26.7	24.6	22.7	24.0	25.0	27.3	28.2	33.1	---
1961	25.8	25.4	25.0	26.6	21.5	20.8	20.0	20.6					
	(d) Frozen eviscerated toms, heaviest weights quoted, New York City, by months												
1956	44.5	54.0	55.8	58.6	63.1	64.2	66.0	53.0	54.1	46.0	44.2	48.6	---
1957	47.9	44.8	45.3	44.3	44.3	43.5	40.5	39.8	39.9	38.1	40.1	40.3	42.4
1958	39.8	39.7	39.5	40.2	42.5	43.0	41.9	41.0	40.6	41.6	40.5	40.8	40.9
1959	43.8	45.2	39.5	40.2	47.4	53.6	53.2	49.5	51.4	48.4	48.2	48.2	47.4
1960	47.1	46.0	47.1	48.4	48.2	46.6	43.7	41.9	42.5	41.8	42.1	41.2	44.7
1961	40.7	46.0	39.1	38.0	37.8	35.9	35.0	36.0					
	(e) Frozen eviscerated hens, 12-14 pounds, New York City, by months												
1956	50.5	50.4	51.0	52.3	54.3	51.9	46.6	45.2	44.1	44.3	43.3	43.7	48.1
1957	41.5	39.6	42.5	---	44.0	---	---	37.7	38.1	38.7	41.7	44.7	33.5
1958	43.5	44.6	48.6	---	---	47.8	42.0	42.0	40.3	41.1	40.6	39.6	---
1959	40.1	40.6	48.6	---	38.4	38.1	36.7	36.3	36.9	38.9	43.0	49.2	---
1960	49.2	49.0	49.6	51.0	48.0	42.4	38.6	39.2	40.3	42.8	43.9	46.6	45.0
1961	40.7	49.0	43.6	39,5	38.0	34.9	33.1	34.8					
	(f) Live, Beltsville Small Whites, Shenandoah Valley, Virginia, by months												
1956	29.5	32.5	32.0	29.7	29.8	28.2	26.4	26.6	25.1	26.0	25.8	26.9	---
1957	25.5	26.2	25.8	26.0	24.3	23.0	22.9	23.7	23.2	23.8	26.7	27.4	---
1958	24.9	28.6	30.8	29.3	29.6	27.4	24.4	25.0	24.3	25.5	25.7	24.3	---
1959	23.4	25.4	23.2	21.5	22.2	22.6	20.8	20.0	20.0	21.7	26.0	28.8	---
1960	24.8	30.0	28.2	27.8	27.2	23.8	22.9	24.2	25.0	28.2	26.4	25.3	26.1
1961	23.2	24.1	23.2	21.6	21.1	19.3	18.1	18.8					
	(g) Live, heavy-type toms, Iowa, by months												
1956	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	26.9	24.6	23.9	24.6	---	---
1957	---	---	---	---	---	---	19.6	20.6	20.5	19.3	21.0	---	---
1958	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	23.6	21.6	21.5	20.2	---	---
1959	---	---	---	---	---	23.2	24.5	20.7	23.0	22.4	25.1	---	---
1960	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	23.8	24.2	24.3	24.1	---	---
1961	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.1	17.2					
	(h) Live, heavy-type hens, Iowa, by months												
1956	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	27.7	26.6	27.6	27.1	---	---
1957	---	---	---	---	---	---	21.9	22.7	23.1	23.5	26.1	---	---
1958	---	---	---	---	---	---	25.8	27.7	25.2	26.2	24.0	---	---
1959	---	---	---	---	---	22.7	21.7	22.0	23.0	23.9	26.1	---	---
1960	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	25.4	26.4	28.5	29.0	---	---
1961	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.2	19.3					

*Revised.

Table 26.--Turkeys: Storage stocks monthly, United States, 1950 to date and weekly, 35 cities, October 1960 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
	(a) First-of-month, United States											
1950	127	138	129	113	93	77	64	47	37	43	77	108
1951	110	117	101	80	60	48	39	30	25	42	83	109
1952	107	116	107	93	72	63	56	46	44	71	142	158
1953	147	143	118	92	72	60	53	44	46	69	126	135
1954	122	125	109	97	79	69	57	48	51	78	141	147
1955	121	124	111	93	71	60	52	45	48	77	144	129
1956	95	96	83	64	49	41	36	36	53	98	197	194
1957	162	170	150	137	109	98	92	90	102	149	241	220
1958	177	179	154	131	105	84	80	79	104	161	255	208
1959	162	160	141	112	87	68	65	67	87	134	220	183
1960	149	142	124	105	87	74	67	71	113	186	282	210
1961	160	173	152	126	108	94	106	128	185			
	(b) Weekly, 35 cities											
Weeks 1/	1961									1960		
First	72	72	72	63	54	47	46	60	85	81	135	97
Second	77	80	70	61	51	46	47	66	91	91	135	98
Third	78	78	69	59	50	44	48	73		101	114	92
Fourth	79	76	67	56	49	44	51	78		113	94	73
Fifth		75			47		55			125		

1/ Holdings on successive Saturdays of each week.

Table 27.--Ready-to-cook turkeys: U.S.D.A. purchases, annually 1951-60, by weeks 1958-1961

Year	Size of turkey crop		Duration of program		Purchases	Range of prices per pound	Cost of purchases
	Head raised	Ready-to-cook	Number of weeks	Begin and end			
	Mil.	Mil. lb.	Weeks	Months	Thou. lb.	Cents	Thou. dol.
1951	53	703		no program			
1952	62	795			27,852	n.a.	n.a.
1953	60	758			20,327	n.a.	n.a.
1954	68	870		no program			
1955	66	817		no program			
1956	77	957	10	Sept.-Nov.	25,366	37.00-39.50	10,400
1957	81	1,034		no program			
1958	80	1,038	28	Aug.-Feb.	23,560	31.29-37.50	7,969
1959	84	1,123	4	Sept.-Oct.	21,570	33.09-35.24	7,416
1960	85	1,175	4	Sept.-Oct.	18,850	34.74-37.37	6,800

Year	Contracts let in week ending	Purchases		Range of prices per pound	Cost of purchases	
		For the week	Cumulative for the year		For the week	Cumulative for the year
		Thou. lb.	Thou. lb.	Cents	Thou. dol.	Thou. dol.
1958						
	Aug. 1	480	480	35.50-37.00	175	175
	8	1,800	2,280	35.24-37.00	652	827
	15	3,240	5,520	35.47-37.50	1,168	1,995
	22	1,260	6,780	35.40-36.74	453	2,448
	29	1,410	8,190	33.74-34.74	479	2,927
	Sept. 5	1,350	9,540	32.73-34.37	447	3,374
	12	1,410	10,950	31.59-33.81	455	3,829
	19	1,590	12,540	31.49-33.63	514	4,343
	26	1,290	13,830	31.98-33.88	425	4,768
	Oct. 2	1,020	14,850	32.79-34.58	341	5,108
	9	930	15,780	32.97-35.24	312	5,421
	16	1,170	16,950	32.98-34.57	312	5,816
	23	1,170	18,120	32.32-34.45	395	6,202
	30 1/	1,420	19,540	31.99-33.99	473	6,675
	Nov. 6	1,290	20,830	31.54-33.61	416	7,090
	13	1,290	22,120	31.29-33.03	410	7,500
	20	990	23,110	31.39-33.46	322	7,822
	27	240	23,350	31.37-32.43	76	7,898
	Dec. 18	210	23,560	32.95-34.10	70	7,969
1959						
	Sept. 10	6,090	6,090	32.17-35.99	2,000	2,000
	17	7,230	13,330	33.34-35.99	2,500	4,500
	24	4,410	17,730	33.59-35.94	1,500	6,000
	Oct. 1	3,840	21,570	33.09-35.24	1,300	2/7,416
1960						
	Sept. 15	4,110	4,110	34.74-36.95	1,500	1,500
	22	9,060	13,170	35.21-37.00	3,300	4,700
	28	2,250	15,480	35.48-37.47	800	5,600
	Oct. 5	3,370	18,850	35.74-37.37	1,200	6,800
1961						
	Aug. 18	7,810	7,810	28.95-31.95	2,388	2,388
	Sept. 1	9,625	17,435	29.07-31.25	2,885	5,273
	Sept. 15	10,230	27,665	26.83-29.75	2,878	8,151

1/ Includes 130 pounds of frozen cut-up turkey for Christmas use in Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.
2/ Total cost as reported. n.a. -- Not available.

Table 28--Egg production, by States and divisions, selected years, 1925-60

State and division	1925	1930	1935	1940	1945	1950	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions	Millions
Maine	218	207	208	286	408	545	697	725	736	750	773	753
New Hampshire	133	119	159	245	391	431	429	444	403	376	360	323
Vermont	106	94	92	128	178	173	201	201	192	172	162	163
Massachusetts	222	269	362	607	913	890	704	763	751	737	716	660
Rhode Island	34	40	40	61	90	97	80	88	80	81	81	75
Connecticut	193	231	254	361	502	611	672	716	681	684	669	657
New York	1,445	1,476	1,533	1,743	2,162	2,105	2,123	2,125	2,103	2,099	2,012	1,864
New Jersey	416	563	570	805	1,079	2,110	2,433	2,629	2,553	2,433	2,377	2,012
Pennsylvania	1,737	1,865	1,781	2,062	2,612	3,175	3,654	3,629	3,586	3,579	3,625	3,488
North Atlantic	4,504	4,864	4,999	6,298	8,335	10,137	10,993	11,319	11,085	10,911	10,775	9,995
Ohio	2,067	2,183	2,043	2,230	2,585	2,515	2,366	2,516	2,342	2,365	2,486	2,471
Indiana	1,477	1,513	1,325	1,477	2,080	2,433	2,289	2,474	2,367	2,571	2,567	2,515
Illinois	1,927	2,032	1,727	1,932	2,777	2,987	3,035	2,935	2,830	2,738	2,626	2,397
Michigan	1,192	1,170	1,145	1,287	1,622	1,600	1,690	1,666	1,638	1,566	1,570	1,439
Wisconsin	1,235	1,427	1,565	1,667	2,325	2,208	2,311	2,354	2,281	2,321	2,151	1,965
East North Central	7,898	8,325	7,805	8,593	11,389	11,743	11,691	11,945	11,458	11,561	11,400	10,787
Minnesota	1,411	1,575	1,373	2,063	3,907	3,822	4,287	4,169	4,024	3,874	3,824	3,552
Iowa	2,213	2,688	2,107	2,725	4,350	4,652	4,859	4,961	4,960	5,084	5,054	4,732
Missouri	2,320	2,455	1,762	2,072	2,900	2,777	2,132	2,009	1,998	1,971	1,905	1,701
North Dakota	417	411	270	364	619	517	559	546	532	505	465	416
South Dakota	599	774	422	595	1,031	1,147	1,234	1,286	1,403	1,466	1,515	1,480
Nebraska	952	1,233	914	1,129	1,959	1,801	1,790	1,836	1,925	1,836	1,867	1,847
Kansas	1,882	2,018	1,447	1,467	2,147	1,974	1,723	1,673	1,712	1,670	1,542	1,339
West North Central	9,794	11,154	8,295	10,415	16,913	16,690	16,584	16,480	16,554	16,406	16,172	15,067
Delaware	113	170	81	116	134	149	126	130	117	122	126	133
Maryland	360	407	305	379	490	530	404	423	372	374	364	327
Virginia	784	814	797	867	1,185	1,149	860	902	970	947	1,116	1,084
West Virginia	395	401	380	426	486	526	396	375	337	337	349	385
North Carolina	637	542	558	672	1,064	1,276	1,469	1,681	1,830	1,922	2,061	2,035
South Carolina	270	263	216	254	390	441	510	534	567	568	715	814
Georgia	480	481	403	524	673	721	1,213	1,235	1,345	1,495	1,918	2,218
Florida	199	208	178	205	247	364	568	709	793	881	968	1,030
South Atlantic	3,238	3,286	2,918	3,443	4,669	5,156	5,546	5,989	6,331	6,646	7,617	8,036
Kentucky	805	805	773	849	1,199	1,254	1,029	1,060	1,084	923	931	888
Tennessee	862	819	742	700	1,092	1,037	958	1,002	1,006	971	1,017	957
Alabama	440	457	433	486	681	718	789	876	967	1,149	1,273	1,304
Mississippi	401	432	399	437	611	689	585	679	676	736	1,075	1,163
Arkansas	489	525	420	571	711	726	544	617	628	692	866	890
Louisiana	257	282	236	284	390	391	364	405	422	422	461	509
Oklahoma	1,095	1,071	842	983	1,465	1,184	829	851	836	748	756	610
Texas	1,514	1,995	1,718	2,308	3,434	2,787	2,249	2,358	2,376	2,525	2,636	2,424
South Central	5,863	6,386	5,563	6,618	9,583	8,786	7,347	7,848	7,995	8,168	9,015	8,745
Montana	217	220	171	197	248	248	225	223	221	222	219	204
Idaho	196	244	188	240	281	282	277	277	275	273	274	267
Wyoming	67	82	56	75	88	101	78	71	71	63	57	57
Colorado	327	389	279	334	439	433	336	335	311	301	301	276
New Mexico	80	96	89	103	123	124	114	114	121	132	134	135
Arizona	70	77	57	65	77	83	87	97	107	132	165	161
Utah	157	307	269	269	393	425	380	347	324	320	326	310
Nevada	24	33	26	28	35	27	20	20	15	14	12	12
Washington	704	985	778	824	814	700	828	908	935	873	1,030	1,048
Oregon	378	377	357	444	497	550	616	640	620	604	602	599
California	1,452	2,242	1,759	1,761	2,337	3,469	4,404	4,500	4,603	4,871	5,236	5,678
Western	3,672	5,052	4,029	4,340	5,332	6,442	7,365	7,532	7,603	7,915	8,356	8,747
United States	34,969	39,067	33,609	39,707	56,221	58,954	59,526	61,113	61,026	61,607	63,335	61,377

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